



## FBLA district winners

The Future Business Leaders of America chapter at Sikeston High School participated in FBLA district competition Saturday at New Madrid. Anita Clark, holding trophy, took second places in both accounting I and individual spelling, and will advance to state competition April 22 and 23 in Jefferson City. Among the FBLA contest winners, from left, include: front row, Brenda Thompson, who was elected district president; Pam Napier, fourth place, poster event; Miss Clark; Lisa Lambert, second place, spelling team, and third place, stenographer II; Tammy Allen, fourth place, parliamentary procedure team, and second place,

spelling team. Back row, Sue Skinner, fourth place, parliamentary procedure team; Tammy Johnson, fourth place, job interview; Chuck Springs, third place, extemporaneous speaking, and fourth place, parliamentary procedure team; Cindy Hinton, fourth place, clerk typist II; Tamra Keefer, fourth place, public speaking; and Robin Pearson, fourth place, poster event. Other local winners were Susie Farley, fourth place, parliamentary procedure team, and Gina Thomure, fourth place, parliamentary procedure team, and third place, clerk typist I.

# The Daily Standard

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## Dexter delays police car purchase

DEXTER — After heated discussion, the City Council Monday voted to postpone buying new police cars.

The three-member police committee had been instructed at a previous meeting to look into the matter. A conflict in the committee was disclosed after Mayor Willis Conner asked for its recommendation.

Alderman James T. Williams, chairman, said the committee decided to delay the purchase but then Alderman Les Day, a

member of the committee, spoke out.

"What bothers me is why suddenly we changed our thinking just at this moment," he said, pulling out a sheet of paper with a listing of the new police cars bought since 1973.

His records showed that new police cars had been purchased every year, the last time in 1976, and he wanted to know why the pattern was being changed.

Didn't you agree to hold off? Williams

asked Day.

Only if the rest of the board went along, he replied, and then told Williams, "another thing we were supposed to do, that wasn't, was to talk with the chief."

Day said that at the committee meeting Police Chief Jim Teeters was present for awhile, but he received the impression he wasn't wanted, so he left.

Teeters was not present at Monday night's meeting because of the illness of his

## Sikeston woman attacked, raped

A 31-year-old Sikeston woman was attacked and raped in an alley in the 600 block of East Gladys Street about 7:30 p.m. Monday, according to the Public Safety Department.

The woman was walking from her home to a supermarket when she was assaulted, officers said.

Officers quoted the woman as saying she was walking through an alley when an automobile drove up behind her. She said she stepped out of the alley to let the car go by, but kept on walking. A man got out of the car and grabbed her from behind, she said.

The man put a dirty rag in her mouth and pulled a coarse rag over her face, threw her

to the ground and raped her, she said.

She then walked to a service station and called her mother, who took her to the public safety Department.

After making a report, she was taken to Missouri Delta Community Hospital for treatment.

## Burglars hit pharmacy, school

Burglars broke into Harris Pharmacy, 130 N. New Madrid St., and the offices at Sikeston High School, according to the Public Safety Department.

An undetermined amount of drugs was

taken from Harris Pharmacy sometime between 10 p.m. Monday and 8 a.m. today, according to Detective Lt. Jack Patterson.

The drugs were taken from a locked cabinet and from shelves in the back of the

pharmacy, Patterson said. The safe was not opened.

The burglars got into the building through a back door. Patterson said the amount of drugs taken would not be known until an inventory is completed.

Burglars broke into Sikeston High School sometime Monday night and took \$100 from the offices, Patterson said.

Every office in A building was ransacked, the lieutenant said. An unsuccessful attempt was made to open the office safe, he added.

The building was entered through a west door.

## Anti-shoplifting clinic planned in Sikeston

The Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce, the Sikeston Department of Public Safety and the University of Missouri will cosponsor an anti-shoplifting clinic for retail clerks and employees this week.

The one-hour program is designed to help the retail clerk become aware of the shoplifting threat to business and learn how the shoplifter operates and what can be done to reduce shoplifting losses.

The program will be presented on four separate occasions so merchants may rotate their employees. Programs will be presented from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday and from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

The program is offered free of charge, and merchants are encouraged to send all their employees one of the sessions.

## Stabbing suspect charged

NEW MADRID — Thurman Johnson, 24, of Howardville has been charged in New Madrid County Magistrate Court with felonious assault, stemming from the stabbing early Saturday morning of Ezell Vaughn, 18, of Portageville.

The men reportedly had argued over a can of beer at Buck's Most Club, a tavern in Howardville, and Vaughn was stabbed in the abdomen with a butcher knife.

Johnson has been placed under \$1,000 bond, pending a preliminary hearing, which has been set for March 30.

## Correction

The New Dawn State School, 710 Glenn Drive, was dedicated Sunday to the late Don Cox and Mrs. Reubie Huckstep, not to Cox and his widow, Margaret Cox.



## Marking his equipment

Walter Landers Jr., right, New Madrid County Farm Bureau president, marks his irrigation equipment Monday with a permanent identification number assigned through the New Madrid County Sheriff's Department to begin Operation Ident in New Madrid County. Observing, from left, are Deputy Sheriff Ted Whittenburg; Sheriff Walter Ivy; Lloyd Smith, Missouri Farm Bureau Federation District 6 fieldman; Bob Chism and Garvis Dixon, New Madrid County Farm Bureau Insurance Co. career agents; N. S. Rhodes, New Madrid County Farm Bureau Insurance Co. agency manager; and Charles Penman, New Madrid County Farm Bureau machinery identification chairman.

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Theft of personal property costs individuals and insurance companies

# House delays bill forgiving lost school days

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — With lawmakers calling it a panic reaction to inclement weather, a bill forgiving school districts for days missed because of the severe winter weather was effectively delayed in the Missouri House on Monday.

The Senate had already approved the bill, which would have reduced the number of days schools needed to meet the requirements to receive state assistance. The House extended the number to eight, but the emergency clause in the bill was rejected, meaning that it could not go into effect until Sept. 28—three months later than the expiration date of the bill.

House members approved the bill itself with a majority of 88 votes, but the emergency clause requires a two-thirds majority of the body, and that effort fell short by 21 votes.

State law requires districts to meet 180 days, and hold classes for 170 of them to be eligible for state aid. Because of the severe winter, however, some districts have missed as many as 18 days and requiring that those days be made up would force schools to remain in session into June.

A second attempt to pass the emergency clause could be made, but, according to Rep. Wayne Goode, D-Normandy, who handled the bill in the House, "it doesn't

look like the votes are there." He added he would discuss future action with the bill's sponsor, Sen. Emory Melton, R-Cassville.

Opponents to the measure claimed the state has a responsibility to provide a minimum amount of education for students and there is no need to reduce that

minimum even more "just because of one bad winter."

The state Conservation Commission would be empowered to reimburse counties for land purchased by the commission with funds from the one-eighth cent sales tax for conservation under a proposal given first-round approval in the Senate.

## Pickett will head chamber



Bill Pickett

Bill Pickett, owner of Pickett's Shoe Store, 123 N. New Madrid St., was elected president of the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce at noon today during a board of director's meeting at the Grecian Steak House.

Gene Aufdenberg was elected first vice-president; Sam Harbin, second vice-president; and Jim Stallings, secretary-treasurer.

All were elected to one-year terms.

## Early voting is light

Only 493 voters had cast ballots by 11 a.m., a check of city voting precincts indicated.

The voting was lighter than normal for a city election.

Votes cast by precinct are: Park Precinct, Semo Motor Co., 417 N. Main St., 96; Airport Precinct, Northeast Fire Station, 506 N. Main St., 53; Allen Precinct,

Lee Hunter Elementary School, Baker Lane, 117; Sunset Precinct, Lincoln School, 229 Westgate St., 15; Delmar Precinct, Sikeston Activity Center, 201 S. Kingshighway, 50; Clayton Precinct, Lewis Furniture, 650 W. Malone Ave., 45; Armory Precinct, National Guard, 300 S. Main St., 82; Broadway Precinct, Imperial Bowling Lanes, 1601 E. Malone Ave., 35.

## 5 in Bloomfield races

BLOOMFIELD — Five persons are running for two three-year terms on the board of education to be elected April 5.

Incumbent Frank Sifford has retired and has been joined by Kenneth Rice, George Swafford, Robert Holland and Lonnie Hutchison.

Other incumbent Gerald Jackson, president of the board, did not file for re-election.

The voters are also being asked to approve a 22-cent increase in the tax rate from \$4 to \$4.22 per \$100 assessed valuation.

## Alderman seek re-election

BERNIE — Aldermen whose terms expire this year filed for re-election and face no opposition in the April 5 city election. Seeking re-election are Ray Coat in ward

one, H. C. Newingham in ward two and Wendel Moore in ward three.

All positions are for two-year terms.

## 3 file for Dexter board

DEXTER — Three persons filed for two three-year terms on the board of education to be filed in the April 5 election.

Incumbents Chester Medler and Joe Vinson filed for re-election, and are opposed by Robert H. Isbell.

## 4 file for Charleston seats

CHARLESTON — Four candidates have filed for the two three-year positions on the City Council to be filed April 5.

Incumbent Councilman R. Wyman Beasley is opposed by Jackie Whiteside,

Donald Sams and John Schofield. Councilman Lowell Nicholas, the other member whose term is expiring, withdrew as a candidate prior to the March 11 filing deadline.

## Marston to vote new slate

MARSTON — None of the incumbent office holders filed for terms to be filed in the April 5 city election, and only one office is contested.

Roy Phillips Jr. and Gene Pikey are seeking a two-year term for the north ward aldermanic seat currently held by Robert Clay, who did not seek re-election.

Malvern "Red" Thomason is the only candidate for a two-year term in the south ward seat being relinquished by Robert Cook.

Jerry Alley is unopposed for a one-year term as south ward alderman. The seat is presently held by Paul Haubold, who did not file for re-election.

## 2 incumbents challenged

HOWARDVILLE — Both incumbent aldermen face opposition in their bid for new terms in the April 5 city election.

Ward One Alderman J. B. Rowe is opposed by the Rev. Henry Williams and Ward

Two Alderman Leroy Bashley faces opposition from James Robinson.

Filing deadline for candidates was Friday.

## 4 seek Risco offices

RISCO — Two candidates filed for the west ward aldermanic position to be filed in the April 5 city election, and two incumbent office holders are unopposed for re-election. The filing deadline was Monday.

Edwards and William Worth have

filed for the west ward aldermanic post presently held by Oscar Miller, who did not seek re-election.

East Ward Alderman Gary Jines and Marshal Alfred Scott are unopposed for new terms.

## New Madrid has 1 contest

NEW MADRID — Only one elective office to be filed in the April 5 city election is contested.

Ward Three Alderman John A. Hunter is challenged for re-election by Cecil M. Higginson.

Unopposed for re-election are Ward One Alderman Bill Boyd and Ward Two Alderman Dick St. Mary.

The filing period for candidates closed Monday.

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Theft of personal property costs individuals and insurance companies

thousands of dollars each year. Also, recovery and return of stolen items is difficult because many items have no identifiable marking.

To begin the process, a person must go to the sheriff's office where a permanent identification number will be assigned and this number should be placed on all personal property.

An individual's permanent identification number is composed of 10 characters. These include the prefix for Missouri, New Madrid County's National Crime Information Center (NCIC) number, a four-digit number assigned through the sheriff's office and the first letter of the individual's last name.

For example, the number of John Public of New Madrid, Mo., might be: MO 072 0001 P.

Many types of marking tools are available for inscribing the assigned number. Through the New Madrid County Farm Bureau office a special die numbering set can either be borrowed or purchased for marking heavy farm equipment.

The electric vibrator marker is suggested for marking light tools and delicate household items. A complete brochure outlining the program and inventory sheet is available to people at the county Farm Bureau office, 311 Main St.

If properly marked items are stolen,

chances of recovery are much greater using this system, according to Col. Al Lubker, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

The numbering systems is compatible with the FBI National Crime Information Center nationwide information program. This means owners of stolen items can be located from anywhere in the United States where marked stolen property is recovered.

Persons interested in further details of the program should contact Sheriff Walter Ivy, the New Madrid County Farm Bureau office or the Missouri State Highway Patrol area troop headquarters.



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## POOR CHARLIE SAYS!

Old people admire the creditable young.

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WHY NOT THE BEST?  
By MARVIN STONE

Once Jimmy Carter put the full force of the Presidency behind the nomination, it was a foregone conclusion that the Senate eventually would approve Paul Warnke as our chief arms negotiator with Soviet Russia.

But it was an unfortunate choice by Carter to begin with, and the Senate, by confirming Warnke on March 9 by a 58-to-40 vote, has taken upon itself a heavy responsibility to monitor the consequences of its act.

The appointment was a mistake, not because Paul Warnke is a sinister man — for he is not — because his dovish record and inconsistency do not qualify him as the best man for this special job. Was it not Mr. Carter himself who during his campaign gave currency to the question: "Why Not the Best?"

Simply put: Negotiations with the Kremlin over strategic weapons are complex and sensitive enough without complicating them further with a chief negotiator who does not enjoy the full confidence of a two-thirds majority of the Senate, which — by that margin — must ratify any treaty that Warnke negotiates.

Lack of confidence rests on the suspicion by his critics that America's chief arms negotiator comes in two varieties — Warnke past and Warnke present.

The old Warnke stubbornly took positions over the years that would seem automatically to disqualify him for the job of representing this country in the critical Strategic Arms Limitation Talks. He opposed the development of almost every strategic weapons system initiated by the U.S. over the past decade. He advocated a unilateral reduction of American forces in Europe. He sought drastic cuts in the U.S. defense budget.

In the years that the old Warnke promoted these measures, the Russians embarked on a massive strengthening of their strategic forces, expanded the size of their Army and increased their defense budget immeasurably.

Almost up to the time of his appointment, the old Warnke was calling for unilateral restraint by the U.S. in the arms race in the expressed hope that the Soviet Union would follow with matching action.

Warnke had steadfastly refused to recognize the lesson of the past decade. Since 1967 the U.S. has, in fact, done essentially what Warnke advocated — practiced unilateral restraint by limiting the deployment of land-based and submarine-launched missiles. The Russians responded not simply by matching the U.S. these weapons, but by forging ahead.

The new Paul Warnke is a changed man, apparently. In his confirmation hearings, he said: "I believe, and I have said repeatedly, that we cannot yield superiority either in strategic or conventional arms to the Soviet Union."

In contrast with his opposition to new weapons systems in the past, he now has "an entirely open mind on cruise missiles," favors buying the B-1 if it "turns out to be the optimum bomber to replace the B-52" and supports the most advanced version of the Trident submarine missile.

Which Paul Warnke has the president chosen as his chief arms negotiator? Few seem really sure, and the President himself is defensive about the choice. In these uneasy circumstances, Americans should demand that any treaty emerging from the SALT negotiations be subjected to an exceptionally rigorous and critical scrutiny by the Senate.

Senator Robert Byrd, the Majority Leader, understands the correctness of this. He was one who voted for the appointment with reluctance, out of loyalty to the President, but with a statement that clearly describes the responsibility that the Senate has now undertaken:

"One of the most tragic things that could happen is that the Senate of the United States could reject an arms-control agreement. But it would be even more tragic if the Senate ratified an agreement that legitimized and relegated the United States to a position of inferiority."

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If a man sits in the same room with a baby sound asleep in its crib, he thinks he should have credit for taking care of it.

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People think they do enough for you if they don't help "Do" you.

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The TV weatherman will never win a popularity contest as long as he smiles when he predicts below zero temperatures.

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## VIOLENCE IS IN THE HOME

Not all the violence in American homes takes place on the television screen. Indeed, the fictional violence that concerns so many people pales into insignificance compared with the actual violence committed by parents against their children, by husbands and wives against each other and by children against children.

According to researchers with the Universities of Rhode Island and New Hampshire, reporting the results of one of the first major studies of violence in the home, each year 1.2 million to 1.7 million children are kicked, bitten or punched by their parents, 460,000 to 750,000 are "beaten up" and 46,000 are attacked with guns or knives.

As for violence between husbands and wives, 7.5 million couples probably experience a "violent episode" — anything from a slap to a murder — in a given year, the researchers told the recent meeting of the American Association For the Advancement of Science in Denver.

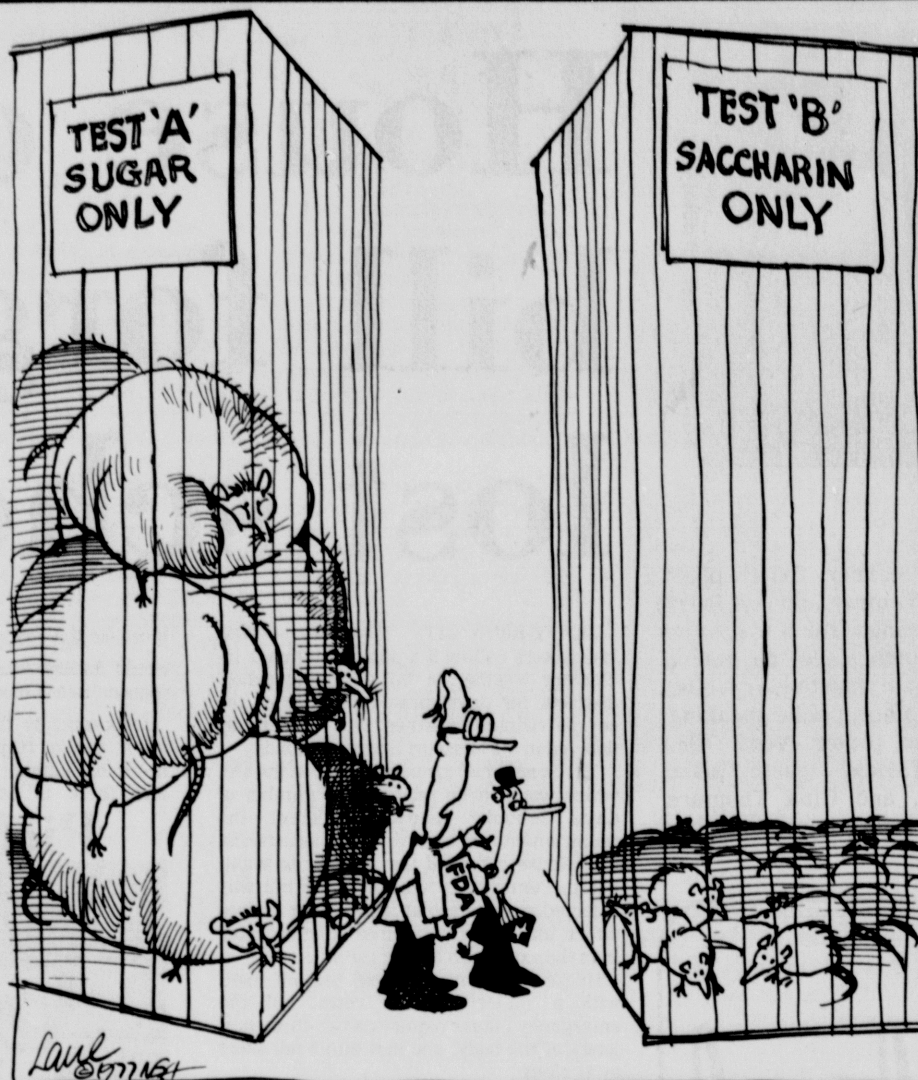
But the greatest incidence of violence occurs between brothers and sisters. During the survey year, 52 per cent of the children in the families interviewed were reported to have punched, bitten, kicked or beaten up a sibling.

Surprisingly, well-educated families seem to be just as violence prone as less educated ones; and sadly, since the information in the survey was given voluntarily, the true extent of violence within the American family is probably even higher than this disturbing report indicates.

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The Mayor of Sikeston has learned Henry Kissinger has a new job — he's drawing travel maps for Walter Mondale and Cyrus Vance.

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"... And a few of these poor devils may get bladder tumors."

TOMORROW  
MARCH 23—  
WEDNESDAY

**COLFAX. SCHUYLER:**  
BIRTHDAY. Mar. 23. Seventeenth vice president of the U.S. (1869-1873) born, New York City, Mar. 23, 1823. Died, Mankato, Minn., Jan. 13, 1885.

**LIBERTY DAY.** Mar. 23. Bicentennial of Patrick Henry's speech for arming the Virginia militia—at St. John's Church, Richmond, VA, on Mar. 23, 1775. "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death."

**PAKISTAN: NATIONAL HOLIDAY.** Mar. 23. Republic Day. On this day in 1940 the All-India-Muslim League adopted resolution calling for a Muslim Homeland. On this same day in 1956 Pakistan declared itself a republic.

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Arriving in Butte, Montana, for the first time, I asked an elderly cab driver where I could find a certain address I had been told was right in the heart of the city. The cabbie informed me that it was about a mile from the station. Since I was already late for an appointment I hopped into his cab and mumbled angrily, "What was the idea of building the station so far away from the center of town?"

"I don't know," replied the old cab driver, "unless it was to have the depot near the railway."

Tom Hinkle

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**MIDDLE AGE:** That time of life when we convinced ourselves it's only a vitamin deficiency.

Knoxville

News-Sentinel

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JUST A PASSING  
COMMENT

When one of the numerous women who work in The Democrat office happened to glance at a story on the fourth annual "Mayor's Prayer Breakfast," she chuckled and said:

"You know, there's not a woman on that program. Isn't that kind of strange when the story says the purpose of the breakfast is to encourage spirituality and morality in business and professional people—and there are so many women in business in Clinton?"

Don't blame the Mayor for the omission, however. The prayer breakfast was set up by the Jaycees—it's their fourth annual—and we wonder what they're going to do some year when the mayor of Clinton happens to be a woman? Will they let her be on the program? Will they go into a tizzy trying to decide how to handle the situation?

We don't imagine the many business women in Clinton particularly care about hauling out at 6:45 for a breakfast but, as usual, a good many were amused at the blind spot of Clinton's Jaycees and wonder when they'll come to heel with other chapters in the state, who now admit women (having come to the conclusion that women can read, write and do a few more things besides prepare a covered dish for the potluck supper).

Ho-hum...it's a long winter.—The Clinton Daily Democrat

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**SPECIALIST:** A doctor with a smaller practice but a bigger yacht.

Chicago Tribune

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IT LOOKED  
LIKE MORE

For many years when writing or printing prices that were less than one dollar, most folks usually used the cents mark after the one or two numerals.

Recently they started using the dollar sign, then a period, followed by the numeral or numerals.

For instance, the price of ninety-nine cents.

The old way it was 99c, the new way it is \$.99.

The new form gives the impression it is more costly.

The old form was best if you wanted to impress people with the low cost. That dollar mark either alerts or scares some folks, especially when it comes to a tax levy.

There's another reason why the old way is best. It's too easy to miss that period. Then it looks like dollars instead of cents.

Paris Appeal

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THE DEATH  
PENALTY RETURNS

From Newsday,

Long Island

If the purpose was retribution, society got it due on Jan. 21 when it put a merciless killer to death. But retribution is a bad reason for breaking a 10-year moratorium on legal killings in this country. And more executions will follow even though the man who was scheduled to die the next day won a late reprieve from the Supreme Court.

The concept of capital punishment is simply not compatible with a society that prides itself on being just. If the crimes of the 345 men and five women sentenced to death were to be

compared to those of murderers who were merely sent to prison instead, we doubt if there would be much difference. There is a difference in the people though; the murderers who inhabit our death rows are more likely to be poor and black.

Given the amount of violent crime in our society, the search for a deterrent is understandable. But study after study has concluded that capital punishment does not bring the murder rate down. In Gilmore's case, there was obviously no deterrent value; he said repeatedly he preferred death to life in prison. And it's hard to believe that fear of death would have kept a borderline retardate like Jerry Jurek of Texas from killing.

Most murders are acts of anger or passion, committed with little regard for the consequences. Not so when the state kills deliberately in the name of us, the people.

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**CONVENTIONS** are something a lot of people leave behind when they attend one.

Capsuled Comments

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**KNOWING WHEN TO STOP**

(With government growth becoming a major public concern, William E. Simon, Secretary of the Treasury, was asked for his views on the biggest problem in the relationship between government and the private sector—and what can be done about it. Here is his reply.)

By the Honorable

William E. Simon

The biggest single problem in the interrelationship between government and the private sector is that government, for too many years, simply has not known when to stop.

For most of our history, we have followed the founding fathers' vision of limited government. But for the past 40 years or so the contrary belief that government must continually intervene to stabilize the economy has dominated our policy-making, affecting not only the economy but tipping the balance of power in the direction of government and away from the people.

In the early 1930s, government at all levels accounted for about 12 cents of every dollar spent. Today, government accounts for more than 35 cents, and our projections indicate this will reach 60 cents of every dollar by 2000 unless the trend is curbed.

The fact is, the federal government has gone on a spending binge at a rate faster than the economy can expand.

This has built up a momentum of outlays that has pushed the budget to four times its size of the early 1960s, created deficits that caused severe strains on financial markets—soaking up funds that might have gone for job creation and other purposes—added greatly to inflationary pressures and helped generate a boom-and-bust climate that brought on the 1974-75 recession, our worst in a generation.

As if these excesses weren't enough, the government simultaneously has expanded its web of controls and regulations over private enterprise. Some of these controls are in the public interest, but many more are unfair, anticompetitive, lead to higher prices and stifle initiative and innovation at the very

source of five out of every six jobs in the country—our private sector.

So I submit that the central task, the overriding challenge before this great nation, is to stem this tide of bloated government and, at the same time, to strengthen the free enterprise sector of our economy before it is too late.

I know that it's fashionable these days for candidates of every political coloration to take a stand against "big government." But many of these same candidates are also asking the voters to support policies that will lead to more spending, more controls, more regulating. Let me assure you that regardless of the anti-Washington rhetoric emanating from the banks of the Potomac, the spend-spend, elect-elect syndrome is alive and well.

To break this cycle and return the U.S. economy to full vigor, we must carry out a program that achieves these goals:

Reduction of runaway government spending which—as more and more citizens have come to realize—is our greatest single domestic problem.

Skillful management of economic affairs by creating an environment conducive to sustained, non-inflationary growth and more reliance on the free market.

Prosperity through encouragement of the private sector—the right road to better jobs, higher wages, greater output per worker and enlargement of the economic pie so that all citizens may enjoy a larger slice.

Reduction of the level of taxation for individuals and businesses to avoid the stultification that afflicts societies when the state consumes a bigger and bigger portion of the national product.

When I warn against governmental power, it is not because I am blindly anti-government. I'm not. I want government to perform well those tasks which government alone can perform or those it can properly undertake in partnership with the private sector.

But the sad truth is that the federal government has gotten out of hand. It is trying to do more than the nation's resources will allow, to do things it cannot do well, and to do others it should not be doing at all—and to do all this simultaneously. Government has lost its way and become the problem, not the solution, and in so doing it has forfeited the right to the full trust and confidence of the American people.

We need to readjust the balance between citizen and government, a balance that favors greater reliance on the individual and on that level of government closest to the individual. We need a government that is not afraid to examine itself, not afraid to say "we

should be doing this" or, more important, "we should not be doing that." We need a government that can nourish the natural forces of a free economy, get off the backs of our innovators and job producers, and reawaken the energies of our people by strengthening, rather than weakening, their freedoms.

Freedom, in the final analysis, is what this country is all about. To preserve our freedoms we must recognize that they are bound up together, that if our economic freedom goes, so do our individual and political freedoms.

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Knowing my husband's habit of sampling everything I bake, I left a note on a dozen mince tarts reading: "Counted one dozen." When I returned, two tarts had disappeared, and the note had been altered to read: "Think metric."

Sunday Mirror

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SET PATTERN

By RAY CROW

Those TV spieles—gals and men—  
Don't help my indigestion  
By plying me with answers  
when  
I haven't asked a question!

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WHERE DO THE

NUMBERS COME FROM?

How does the Bureau of Labor Statistics figure out the unemployment rate? Each month interviewers from the Census Bureau do a sample survey of 47,000 households.

The interviewer asks a member of the household questions about the employment status of every member of the family over 16 years of age. The answers would determine whether the member would be classified as employed, unemployed, or not in the labor force.

The BLS defines a person as employed if he or she did work for pay during the survey week or worked at least 15 hours without pay in a family-operated business. A person who did no work during that week, made a specific effort to find work during the preceding four weeks and was available to work, would generally be classified as unemployed.

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It's hard to believe that every American uses 615 pounds of paper a year—until you remember that the figure includes interoffice memos.

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The consumer price index will be revised to reflect current buying patterns. We presume this means heavy weighting toward tuna and noodles.

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Uncle Fred, who is living with us since he lost his job, said it: "Before I'd accept charity, I'd beg."

## Art Buchwald

THE GREAT SACCHARIN  
CONTROVERSY

WASHINGTON—In dealing with the saccharin problem I have to confess I am not a disinterested spectator. I have a cousin who is married to Marvin Eisenstadt, one of the owners of the company which makes Sweet 'n Low, a powdered saccharin in pink packages that can be found in restaurants, grocery stores and supermarkets all over this land.

Although I do not own any stock in the company, I am very proud of Marvin and tend to brag about the relationship. You can't imagine what a bombshell I can drop at a dinner party in Georgetown when I casually say, "My cousin makes Sweet 'n Low." I can live off the reflected glory for the entire evening.

Although Marvin is a saccharin tycoon he never forgets his poor relatives, and once a year I receive a carton full of thousands of packets of Sweet 'n Low, with enough saccharin to kill every rat in Washington.

I only mention these facts because I don't want the anti-saccharin people to say that the reason I wrote an article in favor of saccharin was because of my cousin Marvin.

The truth of the matter is that whether I was related to Marvin by marriage or not I would be against the FDA ban on this artificial sweetener.

For those of us who are constantly fighting weight problems saccharin is our security blanket. It alleviates the guilt we all share when we have a large dinner with a big goody dessert. At the end of the meal we can always put saccharin in our coffee and believe in our hearts we haven't done anything wrong.

As far as soft drinks go, there is nothing that makes a person trying to lose weight feel more noble than drinking a diet cola with a cheeseburger or a hot dog with relish, onions and mustard.

Saccharin is the cocaine of dieters, the mother's milk of weight watchers, the sweet taste of success. Without it there is nothing left for us but sugar, loaded with calories, lacking in nutrition, the biggest no-no on every dieter's list.

I do not wish to dwell on the emotional factors that make

saccharin an important ingredient in the American way of life. Let's talk about the scientific reasons for keeping saccharin off the shelves of the supermarkets.

We are told that white rats were fed saccharin equal to 5 percent of their diets. This is the equivalent of consuming 800 diet drinks a day over a period of 50 years. In the first generation of rodents eight of the 38 rodents developed bladder cancer and in the second generation 12 of 44 developed tumors. This, as far as the government scientists were concerned, was enough to ban the substance from the market.

It was, you have to admit, a fairly uneven contest. No one except a white rat would be crazy enough to consume that much saccharin in his diet, and he wouldn't do it if it offered him something else to eat. In the same labs you have white rats smoking tobacco and they're developing cancer all the time. Yet nobody in this country has dared to ban cigarettes from the marketplace. You have other rats breathing nothing but car fumes and they're dropping like flies. Yet there is no government effort to ban automobiles from the road. The only white rats they're picking on are those who were overfed with a sugar substitute.

If the government was reasonable they would put on each package of Sweet 'n Low and on every bottle of diet cola a message similar to the ones they put on cigarettes. It could read: Sugeron General's Warning — "A recent test showed that 12 out of 44 white rats who were fed a fifth of their diet in saccharin found it hazardous to their health."

Make no mistake, we dieters aren't going to take this lying down. If they persist in banning saccharin we'll start buying the stuff from pushers on street corners. Mexico is already geared up to smuggle the stuff across the border. If we can't get our daily fix of saccharin legitimately, we'll let the Mafia do it for us.

So it's up to the government. Do they want my cousin Marvin or the Gambino family in the Sweet 'n Low business? It better make up its mind fast.

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## The Hughes-Watergate Connection

by Jack Anderson  
and Les Whitten

WASHINGTON -- The biggest Watergate mystery of them all has never been cleared up. What was Howard Hughes' strange role in the scandal?

The late billionaire was the only major Watergate figure who eluded the special prosecutors to the end. Yet some Watergate investigators believe he was the cause of the Watergate break-in.

His man in Washington, Robert Bennett, kept turning up mysteriously throughout the Watergate plot. White House insider John Dean commented that Bennett "became as mysterious in his inconspicuous presence as Howard Hughes was in his conspicuous absence."

We have searched Hughes' private papers, now in federal custody, for clues. The papers show that the phantom billionaire followed the Watergate investigation avidly. For example, he demanded an immediate report from his attorney, Chester Davis, on White House counsel Fred Buzhardt's secret testimony before the Senate Watergate Committee.

Davis responded in a May 8, 1974, memo: "I am informed that Buzhardt (a) effectively asserted the attorney-client privilege, and (b) did not testify to anything relating to (you). The transcripts

of those hearings are secret, and it may be some time before I can get more detailed information."

In other memos, Davis confided that he was on good terms with "Sen. Sam" as he called Senate Watergate Chairman Sam Ervin, D-N.C., and that he was "cooperating" with attorneys for Bebe Rebozo, the sideskick of then-President Richard Nixon.

Hughes sympathized completely with Nixon during the Watergate investigation, and the men around him tended, in the way of subordinates, to reflect his views. "Since the Watergate incident," wrote Davis, "there has been a bitterly fanatic political movement to destroy Nixon."

Another Hughes aide, Richard Hannah, characterized Nixon's critics as "the hypocrites, the holier-than-thou elements, the very-very righteous." He reported to Hughes on June 2, 1974, for example, that "Nixon's enemies will not relax their efforts to hang him, but ... the public is supersaturated with the partisan clawing and kicks to the groin."

There is a hint in the documents that the reclusive considered emerging from his turtleshell but was persuaded by his attorney to pull his neck back inside because of the Watergate

publicity. For instance, Hughes sent this message to Chester Davis on April 10, 1974:

"He (Hughes) wants to know immediately what prompted you to tell him to please continue his so-called reclusive way of life and not to cause any publicity. He said he has to make some decisions in Nevada ... and he can't, or doesn't dare, arrive at any conclusion after what you told him yesterday."

In response, Davis cited not only Watergate but other legal problems as his reasons for "recommending that we do not invite additional unnecessary publicity." Later, he reported on his efforts to identify "the persons behind this determined effort to embarrass you in order to compel you to appear."

Unhappily, the Hughes papers merely heighten the mystery of Hughes' involvement in the Watergate scandal. The documents discuss these fascinating developments:

— The papers acknowledge that a Hughes aide, Richard Danner, delivered two separate \$50,000 cash bundles to Key Biscayne, Fla., and San Clemente, Calif., for Nixon's use after the 1968 election. The money was turned over to Rebozo, who returned it seven years later. In the meantime, Hughes' Washington operator, Bob Bennett, delivered another \$150,000 to the Nixon re-election campaign. This reportedly included some blank checks which Watergate plumbler G. Gordon Liddy filled in.

— When we broke the story of the \$100,000 cash gift to Nixon, it reportedly caused panic inside the White House. Nixon aides suspected that we got our information either from then-Democratic National Chairman Larry O'Brien or from Las Vegas

publisher Hank Greenspun. Both had access to Hughes documents.

— Liddy began planning the Watergate break-in, according to subsequent testimony, with the understanding that he had approval to tap O'Brien's phone and break into Greenspun's safe. At this time, his co-plumber, E. Howard Hunt, worked for Bennett yet was also on the White House payroll.

— Bennett put Hunt together with Ralph Winte, a Hughes security man. Hunt later confessed that they discussed burglarizing Greenspun's safe. According to Hunt, he was supposed to provide the burglars with a getaway plane. It is uncertain whether the safe-cracking was ever attempted. But White House aide John Ehrlichman later reported to Nixon that Liddy and Hunt, "Flew out, broke his safe, got something out." Greenspun said someone tore off the cover plate of his safe but failed to open it.

— White House aide Charles Colson has also said that he has "good reason to believe that Bob Bennett was somehow involved in the decision to go after O'Brien." Chester Davis later reported to Hughes that the Senate Watergate Committee was trying to link the O'Brien and Greenspun episodes.

— The Watergate caper remained a mystery for months after the break-in. Yet on July 10, 1972, less than a month afterward, Bennett reported "detailed knowledge of the Watergate incident" to his CIA case officer, Howard Hughes, incidentally, was probably the CIA's largest contractor.

Yet the special prosecutors never got a chance to question the elusive Hughes.

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# Today's News Briefs

## Grocery prices show decline

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Missourians were paying generally less for their groceries at the supermarket this week, according to the state Farm Bureau Shoppers Guide.

In the weekly survey of supermarket prices released Monday, only coffee jumped more than a nickel in price with a one-pound can moving up 15 cents to \$3.50.

Blade roast, arm roast and round steak prices increased by the same amount they had dropped last week, and ground beef climbed a penny to 78 cents a pound.

This week may be an opportune time to splurge for a sirloin steak as that cut of beef dropped nine cents to \$1.67 a pound.

Despite a half-cent rise in the prices paid to the farmer for his cattle this week, pork prices lost ground over-all. Center cut chops dropped 11 cents to \$1.67 per pound and pork blade roast was off eight cents to 97 cents per pound.

Whole fryer chicken was down three cents a pound to 51 cents, and whole milk also dropped three cents a gallon to \$1.59. Eggs experienced only small increases in price this week.

## Final touches go on tax cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Technicians are putting the finishing touches on a bill approved by the Senate Finance Committee to cut taxes by \$31.4 billion over the next 18 months, including a one-time \$50 rebate for most Americans. The oneweek delay to give the staff time to put the bill on paper before Senate debate begins will give the Carter administration time to try to convince wavering Democrats that the President's tax proposal deserves a chance.

## Gunman releases 16 hostages

TORONTO (AP) — A Canadian with a sawed-off shotgun who seized a downtown bank and demanded to be flown to Uganda surrendered peacefully late Monday night and released the last four of 16 hostages. Nobody was hurt. The man, Robert Hugh McLagan, 37, told reporters by telephone he was "a fan" of President Idi Amin and wanted to join his army. But a radio reporter who got into the bank said the man told him he wanted to kill Amin.

## Iranian quakes kill up to 22

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — A series of strong earthquakes killed at least 22 people and injured 18 more today in and around the Persian Gulf port of Bandar Abbas, officials said.

Fifteen of the dead were reported killed in the nearby village of Siahou, and other damage was reported to the villages of Chaghan, Seyed+Abad, Ab+Pish and Gishan.

Iranian officials said several hotels and other buildings were damaged in Bandar Abbas, but there was no indication whether any foreigners were among the casualties.

The strongest quake in the series was measured at 7.0 on the Richter scale, considered strong enough to cause major damage in a populated area. A later quake was measured at 6.0 on the scale.

## Fee agent firings reported

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The firing of about two-thirds of the Missouri Revenue Department's fee office agents has been ordered by the office of Gov. Joseph P. Teasdale, the St. Louis Globe+Democrat said today.

A spokesman for the governor's office refused to confirm the report.

The jobs, often regarded as political plums, are expected to go to Democratic supporters of Gov. Teasdale, the newspaper reported.

The fee offices serve Missouri motorists and truckers, providing neighborhood locations where they can buy state licenses and related items.

The agent adds a 60-cent fee to each transaction. Some of the larger fee offices gross \$50,000 or more a year, but many of the smaller ones bring as little as \$7,000 a year, the Globe+Democrat said. Agents must pay their employees, utilities and rent from the gross.

A spokesman for the governor's office said replacing agents with supporters of the governor is nothing new.

A check at the state Revenue Department Monday showed 17 of the state's 153 fee agents have already been replaced, the Globe+Democrat said.

## Islands threaten secession

BOSTON (AP) — Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, wanting to prove their threat to secede from Massachusetts is not an idle publicity ploy, are ready with legislation to sever the commonwealth from its two most famous island communities. Islanders are up in arms over a legislative redistricting plan announced earlier this year that would cost them their two seats in the Massachusetts House.

## Zaire request tough issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration faces a tough foreign policy decision in dealing with a new request from Zaire for military aid, including ammunition for U.S.-made weapons supplied to the African country in years past. The State Department said Monday that Zaire, battling an invading force from neighboring Angola, has made "a supplementary request" to the United States for aid.

## Indira Gandhi resigns today

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Prime Minister Indira Gandhi resigned today as two former leaders of her Congress party, Morarji Desai and Jagjivan Ram, jockeyed to succeed her. With returns from the general election last weekend nearly complete, Mrs. Gandhi's successful foes claimed their new government would have a majority of at least 126 seats in the lower house of Parliament.

## Airport ruling due April 1

WASHINGTON (AP) — A decision will be forthcoming within two weeks on the fate of a proposed St. Louis airport across the Mississippi River in Illinois, says Brock Adams, secretary of transportation.

Adams, promising a decision by April 1, said Monday that he had to consider whether the present St. Louis airport could be useful until 1990 and the matter of holding land in reserve for an airport that won't be built for several years.

William T. Coleman, Adams' predecessor, approved future construction of the new airport near Columbia+Waterloo, Ill., 30 miles south of downtown St. Louis.

When Adams took office in January, he promised to review the decision.

## Milk prices hike announced

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration announced today a nine per cent boost in the basic price supports for milk which could add six cents a gallon to the consumer price in two or three months.

Agriculture Secretary Bob S. Bergland said that dairy farmers need the increase because severe drought in the West and Midwest has significantly increased feed costs and market prices for milk have dropped nearly 8 per cent in the last six months.

The increase takes effect April 1, the date required by law for readjustment of dairy price supports.

Sidney Cohen, head of the Agriculture Department's dairy branch, said that the increase also could boost the price of butter by 10 cents a pound, cheese by 5.5 cents a pound and nonfat dry milk by 5 cents if all those wholesale increases were passed through to the retail level.

## Dexter woman will manage license office

DEXTER — Meredith Capps of Dexter has been named manager of the license fee office for Stoddard County by Governor Joseph Teasdale.

Mrs. Capps, a Democrat, will assume her duties as soon as she completes a week of training in Jefferson City. The training session began Monday.

The office will remain in Bloomfield "for the immediate future," officials of Gov. Teasdale's office said. There were indications that Governor Teasdale wanted to move the office to Dexter or at least establish a branch office in Dexter. But the official word from the Department of Revenue was that the office would remain in the county seat for the time being.

Mrs. Capps is an employee of Countywide Abstract Company here and has had administrative and clerical experience. Her husband, Norman Capps, is Liberty Township Clerk.

## Missourians complain of engine switch

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Missouri attorney general's office has received approximately 13 complaints from persons who believe their Oldsmobiles are equipped with Chevrolet engines.

The Illinois attorney general has filed suit over similar complaints against General Motors, manufacturers of both lines, and has asked the Missouri attorney general to join the suit.

"We're going to wait and see the Illinois petition before deciding whether to join the Illinois suit," said William Newcomb, assistant attorney general of Missouri. He noted that his office could join the Illinois suit, file its own suit or both.

But Newcomb said there is some doubt whether there is a difference in value between the two engines. One complaint has alleged that oil filters designed for the Olds engine do not fit the lower line Chevy engine, Newcomb said. General Motors has said the two engines don't differ, mechanically.

## Consumer fraud hotline established

JEFFERSON CITY, MO. (AP) — A consumer fraud hotline to the office of the state attorney general has now been installed, Atty. Gen. John Ashcroft announced today.

"The hot line will provide assistance to consumers by allowing them to report, free of cost, instances of possible consumer fraud and deceptive trade practice," Ashcroft said.

Installation of the toll-free number was one of Ashcroft's promises in his successful 1976 campaign against Democrat James Baker of Kansas City.

The toll-free number, 1-800-392-8222, will provide direct access to the attorney general's office from any location in Missouri.

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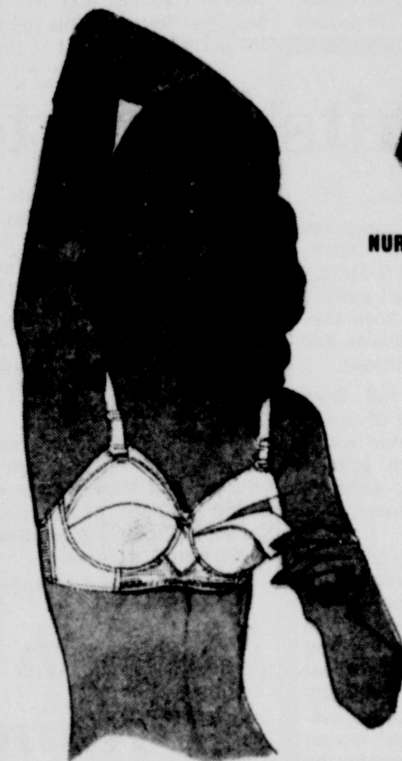
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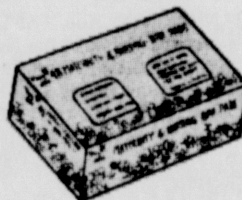
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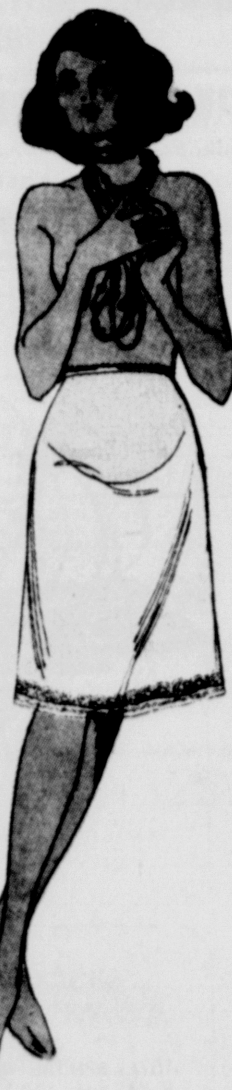
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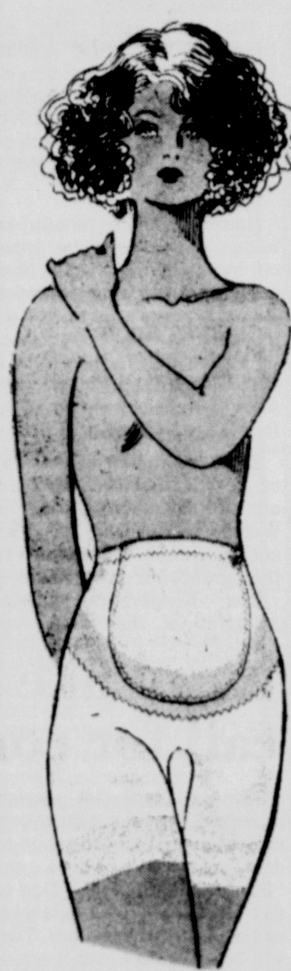
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If pitching is 90 percent of the game of baseball, there may be a cloud or two over the Sikeston Bulldogs baseball team this year. If, however, you look at experience, hitting and fielding ability or speed, the Dogs look like they are in for another good year on the diamond.

"We'll go as far as our pitching carries us," noted coach N.P. McDaniel, who enters his 11th year at Sikeston. "If some of the ones behind (Larry) Jackson come through for us, we should be o-k."

Six-footer Larry Jackson heads the mound staff that is short on experience, if not talent. Lanky Roger Cloud the only other hurler who had any activity in 1976 and that was just one and a third innings. Illness curtailed his activities last year.

Jackson could emerge as the district's top pitcher with a little prodding. A hard-thrower, he has rested in the shadow of Kenny Stokes and Rick Taylor during the past two seasons. The burden falls on his sturdy shoulders now.

"There are some others who can help," said the Sikeston coach. "Eddie Wasson and Jeff Young can throw."

But the pitching is an unknown quantity. Now, the hitting and defense are another factor.

Catcher David Shell gives

solid team leadership. Possessor of a rifle arm behind the plate, Shell cut down nearly half of the steals attempted against Sikeston last year and was guilty of just two passed balls in 22 games. The fourth-year starter's real talent seems to be with a bat in his hands. Shell hit a homerun his first time to the plate as a freshman and hit two last year. Reports are that the .416 hitter of a year ago is showing even more power this time around. He definitely will be the biggest threat in a power-laden lineup.

First base is one of the "juggle" positions on the club. When Jackson pitches, the post will be handled by a slimmed-down Dewayne Barnett. The husky senior rapped the ball as a .273 clip last year as a designated hitter. When Jackson isn't on the mound, he will move to the first sack where he has exhibited good hands. A .290 powerhitter last year, Sikeston's cleanup man has shown improvement with the bat this spring and could give the Bulldogs their best defense at first in several years.

Second is manned by half of Sikeston's "diminutive duo", Gary Silverthorn, and it certainly seems to be in good hands. Silverthorn is 5-6 and 130 pounds and forms a doubleplay com-

You might as well start with strong opposition and Sikeston will do just that. Coach Ted Mauk's Lilbourn Panthers provide the first opposition in a 4 p.m. game at V. F. W. Stadium this afternoon. Lilbourn won more games than any team in Missouri last year during a 22-3 season. Seven starters return from that squad.

The two teams split a pair of contests last year. Lilbourn won the season opener 4-3 at Sikeston. The Bulldogs avenged that decision later in the season at Chaffee.

Here are the starting lineups with last year's averages and returning starters in capitals:

LILBOURN PANTHERS	SIKESTON BULLDOGS
1. DALE CHAMBERLAIN, SS-P	1. DALE DEAL, SS
2. David Babb, OF-P	2. JEFF LIMBAUGH, 3B
3. JAMES BERRY, 3B	3. DAVID SHELL, C
4. BOBBY RENO, C	4. LARRY JACKSON, 1B
5. MIKE ROBERTS, 2B	5. RUSSELL DEAL, LF
6. JEFF MAEVERS, 1B	6. GARY SILVERTHORN, 2B
7. TOMMY GARCIA, P-OF	7. Allan Davidson, RF
8. Mike Hayes, OF	8. DEWAYNE BARNETT, DH
9. Tracy Tope, OF	9. GARRY GRIFFIN CF

ination with 5-5, 140-pounder Dale Deal at short. Silverthorn was hitting a very cool .088 (3 hits in 34 trips) before exploding for a .545 mark (6 of 11) against the best pitchers in the state through the district and state championship playoffs.

Deal probably has more power than any 5-5 player in the state. At times a wild swinger, the strong senior has ripped three homers in two years on the varsity level and batted .375 as a soph and .355 last year. Not only has Deal improved his fielding 100 percent (He erred 11 times

last year in his first time at the position.), he also set a school record a year ago with 26 stolen bases and shows no signs of slowing down.

The big fight for a spot was supposed to be at third base where two-year starter Jeff ("call me J.W.") Limbaugh's job was on the line. Soph Jay Cox did not do poorly, but Limbaugh won his position emphatically.

"Jeff (Limbaugh) certainly responded to the pressure," praised McDaniel. "He is much better in the field this year."

Last year Limbaugh, an outstanding hitter in his own right, made 14 errors in 22 games at third.

Cox isn't out in the cold, however.

"He's (Cox) too good of a hitter," noted the Sikeston head man. "He'll be in the lineup somewhere."

Junior Russ Deal gets his first solid shot at a starting spot after being Sikeston's number one pinch hitter as a soph. Deal, brother to the Bulldog shortstop, is yet another strong Sikeston hitter and provides the unusual, but welcome, talent that his brother does. He is a smallish (5-7 and 155) player who can reach

(Shell, Jackson and Deal are the others.) and offers speed and defense to the outfield. A weak hitter in the past, Griffin worked enough to bat .261 last year and led the squad in walks.

In right the duel is between seniors Kenny Standridge and Allan Davidson. The former is the superior defensive performer and the later has the better bat.

The toughest teams in Southeast Missouri? "I think that Cape Central will again be strong," noted the coach.

"And we ought to be able to play with anybody...if we get the pitching."

The Sikeston roster:

NO PLAYER	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	AVERAGE
20 Dewayne Barnett	6-2	195	12	.273
6 Steve Burgess	5-11	140	10	....
21 Roger Cloud	5-4	175	11	.000
11 Jay Cox	5-8	155	10	.200
23 Allan Davidson	6-0	185	12	.000
3 Dale Deal	5-5	140	12	.355
9 Russell Deal	5-7	155	11	.294
10 Garry Griffin	5-10	140	12	.261
8 Larry Jackson	6-1	180	12	.290
5 Mark Lavinus	5-10	150	10	....
4 Jeff Limbaugh	6-0	165	12	.338
13 David Shell	5-10	170	12	.416
2 Gary Silverthorn	5-6	130	11	.200
12 Kenny Standridge	6-2	180	12	.400
22 Kerry Standridge	5-10	155	10	....
19 Eddie Wasson	6-1	190	11	....
1 Jeff Young	5-10	150	10	....

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In center senior Garry Griffin is the fourth squad member starting for the third year

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## Hartman quits K-State for OSU post

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — With a parting shot at the Kansas State athletic department, Jack Hartman has left the Wildcats to take charge of the once-lustrous basketball program of his alma mater, Oklahoma State University.

The official announcement naming Hartman as OSU's head coach was scheduled for a news conference today at Oklahoma State, where Hartman starred in football and basketball in the late 1940s.

Hartman's announcement — a surprise to many persons and a bitter disappointment to K-State supporters, ended weeks of speculation that broke out when Guy Strong resigned as OSU mentor.

"I've taken the head basketball job at O-State," Hartman told waiting newsmen Monday night after emerging from an emotion-packed meeting with the K-State players he molded into Big Eight champions this past season.

"Of course, it was a very agonizing decision. There's only one job I would have considered. That was O-State, naturally. That was my school."

Floyd Gass, Oklahoma State athletic director, said Hartman would receive a five-year con-

tract for \$35,000 a year.

"I was somewhat concerned with where the athletic department is heading at K-State," Hartman said. "I don't want to dwell on that. I've been concerned with the fieldhouse and the traffic in the fieldhouse."

"Sometimes it's full from seven in the morning till two in the morning. I've been somewhat concerned with policies and policy making, although not in our department, but from outside."

Hartman has had only one losing season in 22 years as a head coach and rang up 135 victories and 62 losses in seven seasons at K-State, a winning percentage of .685. This past season, after leading the lightly regarded Wildcats to the conference title and post-season tournament championship, he was named Big Eight Coach of the Year.

Jersey Jermier, who has said Hartman's "presence at Kansas State was instrumental in my decision to accept the position as athletic director," was openly disappointed.

"We tried to do everything practical and possible to keep him," Jermier said. "I feel that we were financially competitive, but Jack is an

alumnus of Oklahoma State and understandably interested in their program. I feel that Jack Hartman is one of the finest basketball coaches in America."

"The search will begin immediately for a new coach," Jermier added. "I am confident we will be able to identify an outstanding replacement."

Hartman said assistant coach Jerry Holmes will join him at OSU but that Mark Reiner, the second assistant, had declined. Reiner will be a top candidate as Hartman's successor.

Hartman declined to specify

his "concerns" about Kansas State's athletic administration.

"Kansas State has been very good to me, therefore I feel I have an obligation to continue my respect for K-State and help it make the transition as smoothly as possible," he said.

Hartman will be taking over an Oklahoma State program that has steadily declined since its glory years under Henry Iba. The Cowboys finished at the bottom of the Big Eight this year after forfeiting nine games that Ricky Daniel appeared in.

Oklahoma State was publicly reprimanded by the Big Eight for violations in the recruiting of Daniel, and stripped of one basketball scholarship next season as punishment. Daniel, a talented guard, cannot regain eligibility until next January.

## Namath to play for Rams in '77

NEW YORK (AP) — Broadway Joe is on his way to Hollywood. Well, almost.

The New York Jets' controversial 33-year-old quarterback and the Los Angeles Rams of the National Football League have agreed tentatively on a renegotiated contract, the New York News reported today.

However, there remain two minor obstacles to be ironed out by the teams. First, a Namath deal must be approved by Rams' owner Carroll Rosenbloom, who at present is out of the country. Second, and more important for the Jets, there is the compensation issue for Namath's services.

The Jets would prefer a player to a draft choice for Namath. But General Manager Al Ward has said the Jets "will not be difficult" in any deal for the flamboyant signal-caller.

Don Klosterman, general manager of the Rams, con-

firmed Monday that discussions were "productive."

"We got the information we wanted and there is interest on both sides," he said.

The breakthrough in the long-rumored deal came when Namath and his agent Jimmy Walsh agreed to sign a contract calling for about \$200,000 per season, some \$250,000 less than Namath made with the Jets last season. It is believed Namath would be able to make up the difference through movie and television work.

Namath is in the option year of a two-year contract. If the Jets and Rams cannot conclude this deal, then the Jets would have the choice of picking up Namath's option year. If they did, they would have to pay their star of 12 seasons \$495,000 for the 1977 season under the terms of the NFL's new player agreement. That does not appear likely, and gives added reason to the deal being finalized.

## Ken-Lake anglers can call for conditions

Starting April 1st anglers interested in fishing conditions at Kentucky Lake can get up-to-date information via a new "fisherman's hot-line." Day-to-day reports will be available to callers over the telephone. They will be up-graded each morning and will include a weather forecast, water conditions, water temperature, and specific information related to fishing activity and angler success. The "hot-line" number is 502-527-7665. Reports will be given from

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

The fishing hot-line is co-sponsored by Kentucky Lake Vacationland and the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce. It should be stressed that fishing reports will present a true and accurate picture of current conditions at Kentucky Lake. Reports will be live (not recorded), and callers may ask for specific information not included in the prepared report.



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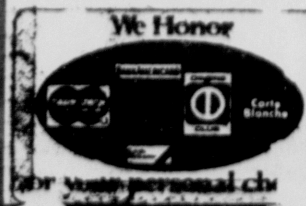
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## Carbo stings his old boss with bat

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — Not only are stringent regulations putting Vern Rapp in hot water. His former proteges are turning on him, too.

The St. Louis Cardinals' manager emerged from a team meeting at which problems were discussed Monday and walked right into the line of fire off Bernie Carbo's bat.

The 5-foot-11 Carbo, a former Cards outfielder, was Rapp's top player as the American Association player of the year at Indianapolis, a Cincinnati Reds farm club, in 1969.

While in the uniform of the Boston Red Sox, however, he forgot all his former allegiances and paced his team to an 11-6 triumph.

Rapp, who could have been more downcast by the defeat than he was, later walked with Carbo to the Red Sox clubhouse and said afterward that "Bernie wished me well."

"I liked him a lot," Carbo recalled. "He motivated me. I hope he does well. I don't think he has too much to work with."

Carbo's disparaging remark about the Cards came after he smacked a home run, delivered

two singles and drove in two Boston runs in addition to scoring three himself.

Another ex-St. Louisan, Reggie Cleveland, meanwhile became the first Red Sox pitcher this spring to work six innings and was credited with the victory.

Eric Rasmussen was the Cards' losing pitcher, although permitting only two of the Boston runs. Compounding the Cards' problems were four errors, including three by Jerry DaVanon, and five Red Sox stolen bases.

## Kemp's homer lifts Tigers

By The Associated Press  
It all fell apart for Steve Kemp on Aug. 29, 1976, and putting it back together has not been easy.

But Kemp continues to make strides along the road back, the latest a 10th-inning home run that gave the Detroit Tigers a 6-5 exhibition baseball victory over the Montreal Expos Monday.

"I've felt pressure from all over," says Kemp, a 22-year-old outfielder who is trying to come back from torn ankle ligaments which cost him the final month of the 1976 season.

"It's hard for me now. I can't do all I want because of this leg."

Kemp, a 6-foot, 185-pound left-hander, was considered the brightest pro prospect in the country in 1975 when he was belting home runs as a collegiate All-American at Southern Cal. The Tigers made him the first pick in the entire January, 1976, draft.

The Tigers are counting on a complete recovery from Kemp and have penciled him in for regular outfield duty. But he says he's not even sure of a spot on the Detroit roster.

Kemp certainly didn't hurt his chances of sticking with the Tigers Monday when he stroked Joe Kerrigan's first pitch in the bottom of the 10th inning over the fence for the winning run against Montreal. Kemp has now driven in 11 runs in nine games this spring.

In other exhibition games: Jim Wohlford drove in three runs and Von Joshua homered to lead the Milwaukee Brewers past the Seattle Mariners 10-3. The expansion Mariners have allowed nearly a run an inning, giving up 101 in 107 1-3 innings to date.

## SCOREBOARD

### MONDAY'S RESULTS

**Baseball**  
Gideon at North Pemiscot, ppd.  
**TODAY'S SCHEDULE**  
**Baseball**  
Oran at Kelly  
Scott Central at Delta  
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Exhibition	Baseball	At	A
By The Associated Press	Monday's Results		
Houston (N) 10, Cincinnati (N)			
8 New York 4, Los Angeles 3			
Detroit (A) 6, Montreal (N)			
5, 10 innings			
Toronto (A) 5, New York (N)			
1 Kansas City (A) 14, Chicago (A) 7			
Boston (A) 11, St. Louis (N) 6			
Oakland (A) 7, San Francisco (N) 5			
2 San Diego (N) 4, Chicago (N)			
1 Milwaukee (A) 10, Seattle (A) 3			
California (A) 12, Cleveland (A) 3			
Pittsburgh (N) 6, Philadelphia (N) 3, 10 innings			
Baltimore (A) 4, Minnesota (A) 0			

Pro Basketball At A Glance	By The Associated Press	National Basketball Association	EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	43	27	.614
Boston	36	34	.514
NY Knks	32	38	.457
Buffalo	27	44	.380
NY Nets	21	50	.296
Central Division	W	L	Pct.
Houston	43	27	.614
Washington	40	30	.571
S. Antn	39	31	.557
Cleve	37	32	.536
N. Orlns	27	42	.391
Atlanta	28	43	.394
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.
Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.
Denver	44	27	.620
Detroit	40	31	.563
Kan City	37	33	.529
Chicago	36	35	.507
Indiana	31	40	.437
Milwaukee	25	48	.342
Pacific Division	W	L	Pct.
Los Ang	44	26	.629
Portland	42	30	.583
Golden St	40	31	.563
Seattle	37	32	.536
Phoenix	28	42	.400

Monday's Games	No games scheduled
Tuesday's Games	No games scheduled
Atlanta at Buffalo	
Milwaukee at New York	
Knicks	
Seattle at Cleveland	
Indiana at Houston	
Portland at New Orleans	
Boston at San Antonio	
Los Angeles at Chicago	
Golden State at Kansas City	
Wednesday's Games	No games scheduled
Kansas City at New York	
Nets	
Golden State at Philadelphia	
Boston at Atlanta	
Portland at Washington	
New Orleans at Detroit	
Los Angeles at Indiana	
San Antonio at Denver	

World Hockey Association							
	Eastern Division				P	GF	GA
	W	L	T	Pts			
Quebec	42	28	8	6	315	263	
Cincinnati	37	31	3	7	322	262	
Indianapolis	32	34	7	7	243	273	
New England	31	37	6	8	248	264	
Birmingham	28	42	3	5	254	276	
St. Paul-Minneapolis	19	18	5	4	136	129	
Western Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Houston	45	20	6	96	290	203	
Winnipeg	41	29	2	84	328	257	
San Diego	34	34	4	72	242	257	
Edmonton	29	40	3	61	204	271	
Calgary	28	38	5	61	211	251	
Phoenix	27	42	4	58	255	344	

Monday's Games	No games scheduled
Tuesday's Games	No games scheduled
Calgary at Birmingham	
Edmonton at Winnipeg	
Houston at Quebec	
Cincinnati at Indianapolis	
Wednesday's Games	No games scheduled
Birmingham at Phoenix	
Quebec at Cincinnati	
New England at Minnesota	

## Controversy over Cards' grooming continues

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Veteran reliever Al Hrabosky says he's satisfied for the moment with the St. Louis Cardinals' controversial grooming code but may have more to say later.

Those words came Monday after Manager Vern Rapp called a club meeting at which the matter of who is boss was thrashed out.

Hrabosky, who a day earlier had attacked Rapp's regulations against beards and the Fu Manchu mustache he once wore, said the criticism "wasn't brought up at the meeting but it was alluded to."

"It's still in the back of my mind," he said of a grievance he threatened to file with the major league players' association.

"If he (Rapp) hadn't called the meeting I would have asked for one," Hrabosky added.

Following the meeting, Rapp also addressed himself to remarks by third baseman Ken Reitz decrying an absence of fun and laughter in the dugout.

"Fun is when you win," Rapp asserted. "I haven't taken their fun away. The players want instant success and I can't give it to them. I've been concerned with conditioning and evaluating talent."

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because they create a situation where people can express themselves," Hrabosky said following the hour-long meeting.

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## Second IN COMMAND

A week at St. Petersburg, Fla. told me what everybody except Ted Simmons knows, anyway—the Cards won't win the N.L. pennant in 1977. The question raised by the repercussions heard through the press is: Are they moving toward a pennant sometime in the future or away?

One rule for a whole team is a necessity on the high school level, but new manager Vern Rapp will find he can't treat major league ballplayers who are above the age of 21 just like high school kids. They may not quit or cause him any personal duress, but you can bet that they won't perform up to their capabilities if they are treated like children.

Saying, "O-k, boys, lets look neat this year and not like a bunch of hairy hippies," would be a proper dialogue from the 47-year-old rookie manager. Telling the players exactly how long to wear their hair and absolutely no mustaches is pushing a point a bit too far. I don't think a manager has ever created so much havoc on a team in his first spring that he was fired, but there's always a first time.

It's not extremely hard to treat other people like thinking adults and give them some credit for judgement. If the Cards win 40-some odd games next summer people won't show up just to see how pretty the Cardinal burr-cuts are. The lack of developed talent on the roster, plus the youth of the players, means that for St. Louis to have a good team in 1977 the players and manager will definitely have to pull together.

There is hope for the future and, with some cooperation the team could be a contender for the division title by next year. Shortstop Garry Templeton appears to have as much talent as any young player in the game. Ken Reitz, Bake McBride and Ted Simmons are solid players. Lou Brock, though tremendously slowed by age, is good enough with the bat and on defense to give youthful players like Gerry Mumphrey and Heity Cruz time to develop. The pitching staff, as is the case with all young hurlers, is good and bad—but with tremendous potential.

Here's hoping Mr. Rapp is the manager at St. Louis for the next 15 years, with ten pennants or so. If he doesn't relent and be a bit more flexible, his demise will surely take the team down the pipe at the same time.

Watch this space later this week for the pennant race outlooks in each of the four divisions. After hitting 25 percent (one of four) of the high school regional winners, my credibility is on the line. Maybe Charlie Francis will join me in this and we'll go down together.

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## Garden tip

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To keep bugs out of beans, which are to be kept for seed, use 1 part lime to 6 parts of beans.

When planting pea seed in the spring, sow zinnia seed in the same row at the same time. Flowers will bloom after peas are gone. This saves space and beautifies the garden.



## Valentine Queen

Mrs. Jack (Mary) Akins, seated, New Madrid Route One, was crowned Valentine Queen of Delta Gamma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi for 1977. Mrs. Akins was crowned by Delta Gamma's retiring Queen for 1976, Leda Wagner of Bertrand, Route One. The annual Valentine Dance was held at the Sikeston Country Club on Feb. 12, and was shared by Delta Gamma's sister sorority, Xi Zeta Alpha.

## Grandma's Corner

Grandma's Corner today features on cooking vegetables and tips on separating leaves of lettuce from a tight head.

If vegetables are grown beneath the ground, then wash in cold water and start them cooking in cold water and cover pot with lid.

If the vegetables grow above the ground (most green vegetables) it grows in the hot sun uncovered. Therefore, start in boiling water and use no lid.

To easily separate a head lettuce without breaking the leaves, cut the stem to loosen, then put the cut end under running water and this will separate it. Then keep cutting at the stem until leaves are separated.

## 50 students served in the Matthews migrant program

MATTHEWS — The Matthews unit of the New Madrid County R-1 School District offers special services in addition to the regular educational program to 50 children whose families have had to move to find work in agriculture or related industries.

Remedial instruction is provided for small groups for short periods each day to supplement the regular program. This is funded through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, which later was amended to include children of Migrant Agricultural Workers.

In 1967, the Missouri State Department of Education contracted with Southeast Missouri State University to develop and administer migrant educational services for the state of Missouri. Authorization to establish the Center comes from The Missouri State Department of Education under Title I.

## RHS Class of '67 seeks classmates

The 1967 class of Richland High School is planning a class reunion to be held in July. Alumni of 1967 are now being contacted about the reunion.

Any members of this class or anyone knowing the location of any members are asked to call Linda Underwood at 471-9558 or Pam Dowdy at 624-5854.

The word "explode" originally meant to drive an actor off the stage by clapping and hooting.

## Ann Landers

*Wife feels like she's just the cleaning lady*

Dear Ann Landers: Your opinion, please. Here is the situation: I am the wife (referred to by some periodicals as the "homemaker"), but I have never had anything to say about decorating our home.

My husband's rules are as follows: No holes in the walls for hanging mirrors or pictures. (They depreciate the property.) No draperies. (Doesn't like them.) No carpeting—area rugs only. (Doesn't want holes in the floor.)

The latest is, "The couch must go." He wants only chairs in the living room—one wing chair, a recliner and two rockers. Up until now I couldn't have a cocktail table. (We use the piano bench from the cellar if we need it.)

I feel that life is too short to argue, but after 32 years of taking orders, I confess I feel like the cleaning lady. What's the answer?—Dominated

Dear Dom: What's the question? So far as I can figure you just wanted to express your resentment. And you did it. I hope you feel better, dear.

Dear Ann Landers: I am haunted by memories of a former love. Just when I think I have things under control I start to daydream and I'm gone again.

This isn't the letdown that occurs after the honeymoon. It's been going on for ten years—and it gets worse as time goes on. Maybe if I see it in print I'll get disgusted with myself and shape

up. Since I'm crying on your shoulder it isn't fair to withhold information. No, I'm not in love with my husband. He's a very decent, loyal, steady guy, a fine father and a kind person, but he's not much of a lover and I'm tired of trying to fake excitement at bed time. I keep putting on an act, hoping someday I'll feel something real.

I realize we are blessed in so many ways and I keep reminding myself of all the things we have to be thankful for, but the dreams keep haunting me. What can I do?—Ashamed Of My Thoughts In Corvallis

Dear Friend: It's easy to build fantasies around a former sweetheart. You don't have to wash his socks, cure his hangovers, put up with his relatives or listen to him snore.

That one that got away always looks better. If you'd married him you'd probably be having daydreams about your husband. You say you are "blessed" and have much to be thankful for. Don't jeopardize what you have for a fantasy that improves with age. Dream castles can be fun for an occasional visit, but don't try to live in them.

Dear Ann Landers: I would like to comment on the slob who enjoyed introducing his wife (the only one he'd ever had) as "my FIRST wife." He said it helped keep her in line. His signature was, "In Charge In California."

My father is the same kind of bully, but my mother knows how to handle him. Whenever he uses that tired old line, she responds instantly with, "And this is my LAST husband."

They have been married 30 years and I guess one of the reasons is that they both overlook a lot. Especially my mother.—Love Covers A Multitude Of Sins

Dear Love: It sure does. In addition to being blind, love can also be deaf and dumb.

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G. Robert Williams is director of special programs in the New Madrid R-1 Schools. Nancy Kaiser is migrant teacher in the Matthews Unit, and is responsible for tutoring and the educational records. The nurse, Lura Hall, is responsible for health records and services.

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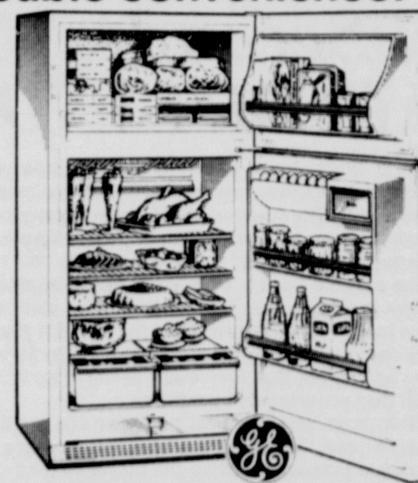
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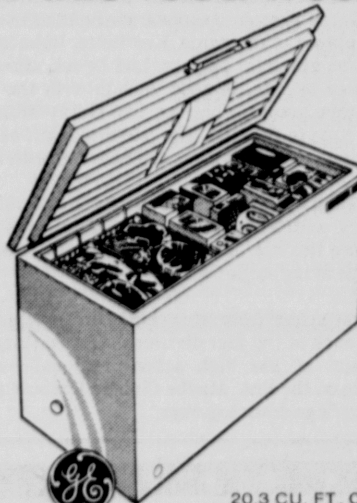
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You can make a glamorous centerpiece of old candlestubs. Stick the stubs onto nails on a board that has been wrapped in foil. Surround with greenery.

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Hint from decorators: If you're shopping for inexpensive furniture, find out what colors are available (and some are GREAT!) before you paint the walls.

XXX

If your split-leaf philodendron isn't splitting as it should, it needs more light. Put it closer to a window now, move it out to the patio later.

XXX

What kind of flooring for your family room? Whether it's carpet or resilient flooring, consider the "gameboard" patterns offering built-in fun for the kids.

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# THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



3-22

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"MMM! When I get to be President I'm gonna put you in charge of cookies for the whole country!"



"I think he's got something there. He's invented a two-way shoe for people who don't know whether they're coming or going."

## OUR BOARDING HOUSE

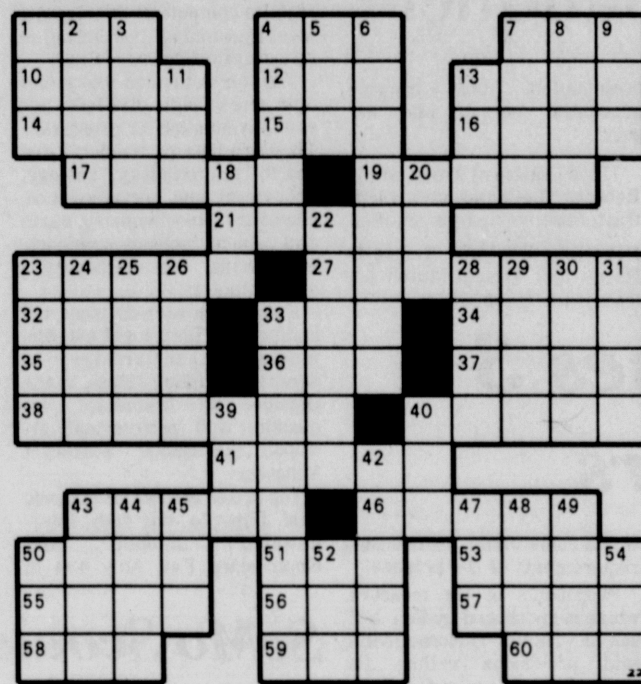
with Major Hoople



"Daddy, do your whiskers grow more at night?"

- ACROSS**
- 1 Author Fleming
  - 4 Jesus monogram
  - 7 Actress Lupino
  - 10 Regan's father
  - 12 French negative
  - 13 Act of lending
  - 14 Easy gait
  - 15 Colorado Indian
  - 16 Actor Kruger
  - 17 Lowest point
  - 19 Seaweed
  - 21 Ships' floors
  - 23 Piers
  - 27 Well visualized
  - 32 Hideous giant
  - 33 Flower holder
  - 34 Bulgarian currency
  - 35 Agglutinant
  - 36 Hog
  - 37 Boast
  - 38 Neuter
  - 40 Comedian Kaye
  - 41 Horse
  - 43 Endow

- DOWN**
- 1 Trouble
  - 2 Vast period of time
  - 3 California wine district
  - 4 Accustom
  - 5 Sultry
  - 6 Lurking
  - 7 Smallest bit
  - 8 Palm fruit
  - 9 Year (Sp.)
  - 11 Rosy
  - 13 Journal
  - 18 Identifications (pl.)
  - 20 Lysergic acid diethylamide
  - 22 Cherry-colored
  - 23 Man's best friend (pl.)
  - 24 Make eyes at
  - 25 Essential part
  - 26 Barge-load of coal
  - 28 Island near Corsica
  - 29 Water bird
  - 30 Author Turgenev
  - 31 Crafty
  - 33 Towards source
  - 39 Compass point
  - 40 Insecticide
  - 42 Antique car
  - 43 Makes knight
  - 44 American patriot
  - 45 Watery
  - 47 Day (Heb.)
  - 48 Reclined
  - 49 Sicilian volcano
  - 50 Hawaiian volcano
  - 52 Female saint (abbr.)
  - 54 Fortune



## Today in U.S. history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, March 22, the 81st day of 1977. There are 284 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1917, the United States became the first nation to recognize a new provisional government in Russia. The Bolshevik regime came into power later in the October Revolution.

On this date: In 1794, the U.S. Congress passed a law prohibiting American vessels from supplying slaves to another country.

In 1820, an American naval hero, Stephen Decatur, was fatally wounded in a duel with Commodore James Barron near Washington.

In 1945, the Arab League was founded in Cairo.

In 1964, anti-Moslem rioting broke out in India.

In 1968, the commander of American forces in Vietnam,

General William Westmoreland, was named Army Chief of Staff.

In 1970, a strike by postal deliverymen that began in New York was spreading to key cities across the country.

Ten years ago: A high North Korean press official jumped into an American car at the Panmunjon truce village in Korea and defected under a hail of Communist bullets.

Five years ago: A bomb blasted the biggest hotel and mail railroad station in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

One year ago: One-thousand police began riding London's subways to guard against political violence.

Today's birthdays: Former Secretary of Commerce Maurice Stans is 69. General James Gavin is 70.

Thought for today: Energy is eternal delight. — William Blake, English artist and poet, 1757-1827.

## They'll Do It Every Time



## MARY WORTH by Ernst Saunders



## THE PHANTOM by Falk & Berry



## STEVE CANYON by Milton Caniff



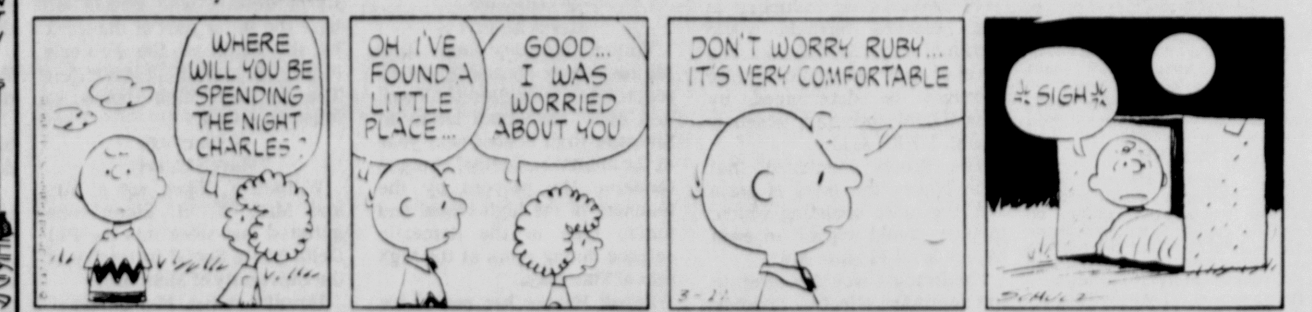
## ALLEY OOP by Grave



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### STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars

To develop message for Wednesday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

<b>ARIES</b> MAR. 21 14-16-19-28 45-48-56	<b>TAURUS</b> APR. 20 1-6-13-15 33-36-54	<b>GEMINI</b> MAY 21 2-5-23-35 50-52-66	<b>CANCER</b> JUNE 21 11-27-29-53 63-71-76	<b>LEO</b> JULY 23 9-17-25-49 77-78-82-84	<b>VIRGO</b> AUG. 23 23-37-46-58 69-72-80-89
<b>LIBRA</b> SEPT. 23 3-10-12-24 31-60-75	<b>SCORPIO</b> OCT. 23 18-26-34-41 57-65-79-87	<b>SAGITTARIUS</b> NOV. 22 42-43-55-59 61-70-83-90	<b>CAPRICORN</b> DEC. 22 7-8-38-39 64-68-81-86	<b>AQUARIUS</b> JAN. 20 4-21-30-44 47-62-74	<b>PISCES</b> FEB. 19 20-32-40-51 67-73-85-88

1 Good 31 Movements 61 On  
2 Maintain 32 Seem 62 True  
3 Excellent 33 Push 63 Their  
4 Let 34 Find 64 In  
5 Good 35 With 65 Into  
6 For 36 Expansion 66 Sex  
7 Carefully 37 Get 67 Up  
8 Consider 38 Any 68 Envious  
9 Set 39 Change 69 From  
10 Period 40 To 70 The  
11 Invite 41 Yourself 71 Good  
12 For 42 A 72 An  
13 Signing 43 Romance 73 In  
14 Official 44 Know 74 Feelings  
15 Agreements 45 Contacts 75 Fraternal  
16 Business 46 Valuable 76 Opinions  
17 Work 47 Your 77 Can  
18 You 48 On 78 Keep  
19 And 49 You 79 Unusual  
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Good Adverse Neutral

## DOONESBURY by Garry Trudeau



## THE RYATTS by Jack Elrod





# Daily Record

## HOSPITAL NOTES

**MISSOURI DELTA**  
Released:  
Curtis Kent, Charleston  
Grace Copeland, Charleston  
Gerald Ancell, Charleston  
Rayburn King, Sikeston  
Edward Burney, East Prairie  
Larry Richards, Matthews  
Christy Tice and baby girl,  
Sikeston

Shirley Miller, Sikeston  
Susan Chadd, Sikeston  
Judy Gildwell, Libbourn  
William Hudson, Bogenett  
Janice Powell, Sikeston  
Phyllis Traubner, Portageville  
Alton Williams, Cache, Ill.  
Thelma Reynolds, Morehouse  
Mary McElroy and baby boy,  
Bloomfield  
Tena Dowdy, East Prairie

**PEMISCOT MEMORIAL**  
Released:  
Janie Meadows, Steele  
Juanita Gibson and baby girl,  
Portageville

Nara Scherer, Portageville  
Laura Sims, Portageville  
Nancy Reed, Portageville  
Clara Hennin, Osceola, Ark.  
Andrew Moore, Caruthersville  
Debra Wright and baby girl,  
Caruthersville  
Effie Abbott, Caruthersville  
Willie Jones, Caruthersville  
Lois Koch, Caruthersville  
Mary Lindsey, Caruthersville

**DEXTER MEMORIAL**  
Released:  
Mary Fay Burnett, Dexter  
Maxine Hunt, Dexter  
Joann Hagy, Dexter  
W.R. Ware, Malden  
Audrey Pope, Bernie  
Harold Yates, Dexter

**CHAFFEE GENERAL**  
Released:  
Sandra Groves, Marble Hill  
Mildred Horsey, Marble Hill  
Florence Oliver, Sikeston  
Brenda Strop, Cape Girardeau

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI**  
Released:  
Mrs. James Swift and son,  
Lutesville

Holly Wise, Portageville  
Ricky Jones, Sikeston  
Melvin Hoopingartner, Dexter  
Jan Schoeninger, Scott City  
Josephine Sheppard, Scott City  
Willie Duck, Malden

Mrs. Maymie Merse, Clarkton  
Mrs. Harley Rhyne, Scott City  
Mrs. Kenneth Chapman, Chaffee  
Mrs. Francis Lusk, Illinois  
Mrs. Robert White, Advance  
Mrs. Wayman Pratt, Sikeston  
Leo Tinker, Bertrand  
Lester Reed, Glen Allen  
Chaylon Couch, Sikeston  
Lee John Kirkpatrick, Lutesville  
Mrs. James K. Reeves,  
Charleston

Mrs. Larry Glueck and baby  
girl, Chaffee  
Mrs. John Smith, Kelso  
Mrs. Michael Parker, Illinois  
Mrs. Dale Bollinger, Oran  
Mrs. Ruth Carlisle, Dexter

**ACCIDENT PATIENTS**  
Accident patients treated and  
released Monday in the emergency  
room of Missouri Delta Com-  
munity Hospital were:

Margie Hust, 45, Sikeston, cut  
side of neck from steam door  
handle; Jody Dunlap, 41, Sikeston,  
multiple bruises in car accident;  
Fred Butler, 46, Sikeston, cut leg;  
Brend Williamson, 5, Sikeston, cut  
back in fall.

Gerald Pobst, 35, Sikeston, cut  
hand on chain saw; Dewey  
Davidson, 1, Sikeston, cut eye in  
fall; Daniel Tumbison, 8,  
Morehouse, hit forehead on desk;  
Emily Sanders, 49, Sikeston, cut  
wrist in fall down steps.

Alvin Young, 27, Charleston,  
muscle strain; Carolyn Powers,  
26, Parma, bruised hand playing  
ball; Richard Harris, 21, Elvins,  
insect bite on shoulder; Mary Lou  
Nickerson, 28, Sikeston, sprained  
foot.

**FIRES**  
NEW MADRID — The fire  
department was called at 12:10  
p.m. Monday to extinguish a grass  
fire at the Gary Fowler home, 800  
Pinnell St.

**LOCAL STOCKS**

BID	ASK
Anheuser Busch	20 1/2
Energy Res Gp	2 1/2
Collier General	9 1/2
DeKalb	21 1/2
1st Nat Bk of S	5
Jerrico	22 1/2
Martha Manning	11 1/2
Noranda Mines	32
Olsen Farms	4 1/2
Pabst Brewing	22
Reliable Life	13 1/4
Sterling Stores	4 1/2
Wetterau	17 1/2

**LISTED STOCKS**

Allied Stores	42 1/2
American Tel & Tel	62 1/2
Chrysler	49 1/2
Columbia Gas	28 1/4
Eaton Mfg	43 1/4
Ford Motors	58 1/4
General Motors	71 1/4
Malone & Hyde	23 1/4
Mid South Util	16 1/2
Occidental Pet	27 1/2
J. C. Penney	40 1/2
Union Elect	15 1/2
Wal-Mart Stores	14 1/2

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The bid price  
is the approximate price if one  
were a seller and the asked price is  
the approximate price if one were a  
buyer. These are listings at the  
close of the previous market.

Quotations furnished by Hugh T.  
McCollum, R. Registered  
Representative for Rowland and  
Co. 1405 East Malone. Phone 471-  
5350.

**POLICE ARRESTS**

Myra Gilliland, 236 Kinder St.,  
allowing dog to run loose.  
John L. Welter, 712 Moore Ave.,  
no city sticker.

Lloyd Hicks, Canolou, no city  
sticker.  
Barbara Sue Batrum, 212 N.  
West St., no city sticker.

Roger Duane Emory, 1511 E.  
Glady St., no city sticker.  
Lewis D. Griffin, 292 Andrea  
Drive, violating city building code.  
Eustace P. Aldridge, 510 N. Main  
St., failing to yield right-of-way.

Mary Elizabeth Castlesberry, 601  
Dempster St., no city sticker and  
driving without a license.

**FIRES**  
Public safety officers were  
called at 9:49 p.m. Monday to the  
National Lock Co. plant on  
Keystone Drive, when fire broke  
out in a dust collector in a buffing  
room, according to the fire division  
of the Public Safety Department.  
Damage was listed as minor.

**FIRES**  
DEXTER — A grass fire broke  
out at 2:27 p.m. Monday behind the  
Arvin Industries plant. Firemen  
were at the scene only a few  
minutes.

About an hour later, at 3:23 p.m.,  
some grease caught fire near gas  
tanks at a Dexter service station.  
Firemen put out the blaze, and no  
damage was reported.

**RIVER STAGES**

MISSISSIPPI RIVER	Flood	Now	Chg.
Chester	32	14.2	+3
Cape Girardeau	32	25.4	+1.3
New Madrid	32	25.5	+1.0

**FORECAST**  
At Chester, the river will rise 1  
Wednesday; fall 3 Thursday; and  
fall 4 Friday.

At Cape Girardeau, the river will  
fall 1 Wednesday; fall 1 Thurs-  
day; and fall 3 Friday.

At New Madrid, the river will  
fall 1.0 Wednesday; fall .5 Thurs-  
day; and fall .5 Friday.

At Caruthersville, the river will  
fall .9 Wednesday; fall .7 Thurs-  
day; and fall .5 Friday.

**OHIO RIVER**

Flood	Now	Chg.	
Golconda	40	31.6	-1.3
Paducah	39	28.5	-2.1
Grand Chain	42	35.2	-2.0
Cairo	40	33.5	-1.6

At Golconda, the river will fall  
1.0 Wednesday; fall .6 Thursday;  
and fall 1.1 Friday.

At Paducah, the river will fall .9  
Wednesday; fall .5 Thursday; and  
fall .7 Friday.

At Grand Chain, no forecast  
available.

At Cairo, the river will fall 1.3  
Wednesday; fall .8 Thursday; and  
fall .7 Friday.

**GRAIN MARKET**

CHICAGO (AP) — Soybean  
futures were sharply lower in  
early dealings on the Chicago  
Board of Trade today. Grain fu-  
tures also were lower.

On the opening, soybeans  
were 2 1/2 to 10 1/2 cents a bushel  
lower. March 8.62; wheat was  
3 1/2 to 1 1/2 lower. May 2.80; corn  
was unchanged to 3/4 lower.

March 2.56 1/4 and oats were 1/4  
to 1/2 lower. May 1.69 1/2.

Mexico's population increased  
from 42.9 million in 1965 to 60.1  
million in mid-1975, according  
to the Population Reference Bu-  
reau.

**House committee discusses 3  
bills regulating containers**

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.  
(AP) — Three bills regulating  
soft drink and beer containers  
were discussed by the House  
State Parks, Recreation and  
Natural Resources Committee  
Monday night.

The proposals are aimed at  
banning non-returnable beverage  
containers in the state. Only  
Oregon, Vermont, Michi-  
gan, Maine and South Dakota  
have such laws now.

One bill, co-sponsored by  
Rep. Wayne Goode, D-Norman-  
dy, and Rep. Karen Benson, D-  
Kansas City, would require that  
all beverage containers have a  
refund value of at least a quar-  
ter. Their bill also would pro-  
hibit sale of containers with  
tab-tops or other detachable  
openers.

Rep. Marvin Maloney, D-Na-  
poleon, introduced a measure  
that would impose a nickel tax  
on beverage containers that  
don't have a deposit. Revenue  
from the tax would be divided  
by the Department of Natural  
Resources, the Highway De-  
partment and the general reve-  
nue fund.

A bill sponsored by Rep. Sam  
Doutt, D-Independence, would  
put the question to the voters in  
the form of a referendum.  
Doutt's bill would also prohibit  
tab-tops and plastic ring hold-  
ers.

Proponents of all three bills  
said some kind of "bottle bill"  
would help reduce litter in the  
state. Wilben Dill of the state  
Highway Department told the  
committee that the department  
spent more than \$1 million last  
year in litter pickup.

Litter pickup on selected  
miles in Boone and Jackson  
counties showed that 80 per-  
cent of the debris collected was  
soft drink and beer containers.

But William Abram of the  
U.S. Brewers Association said  
the bottle bills are "reactionary  
legislation." A law banning  
non-returnable bottles, Abram  
said, will not stop littering.  
"Litter is offensive to the eye,"  
he said, "but it's doubtful that  
it's harmful."

Maloney said a bottle law in  
the state would clean up roads  
and parks and also conserve  
natural resources. Other propo-  
nents of the legislation cited in-  
creased production savings and  
reduced energy costs as rea-  
sons for passing a ban on non-  
returnable containers.

However, Abram cited a  
study conducted for the brew-  
ers by the Wharton School of  
Business which reported that  
the soft drink and beer industry  
would have to spend \$4 billion  
if the country went to a return-  
able bottle system.

Bills undergoing their first  
hearings this late in the session  
have little chance of being con-  
sidered by both houses.

In other legislative action  
Monday night, House Agricul-  
ture Committee members con-  
sidered a Senate bill which re-  
vises the laws concerning grain  
warehouses in Missouri. In-  
cluded in the Senate-approved  
measure are provisions which  
would almost double the num-  
ber of grain warehouses in Mis-  
souri that would be required to  
obtain state licensing. The state  
licenses 254 such warehouses  
now, and 280 more warehouses

would come under the licensing  
requirements of the proposal.

Proponents of the measure,  
which is sponsored by Sen. Nel-  
son B. Tinnin, D-Hornersville,  
said provisions calling for  
stricter regulation of the ware-  
houses including higher surety  
bonds on warehouse employees  
would protect the Missouri  
grain farmer.

Tinnin, who has been in the  
grain storage business since  
1950, told the committee: "You  
folks have a choice—protect the  
fellow who stores grain or let  
the warehousemen run wild."

Other witnesses appearing in  
favor of the bill said although it  
might result in higher costs of  
storage for the farmer, it would  
protect the farmer from large  
losses over the long run. Wi-  
tesses pointed to five instances  
in the last two years in Mis-  
souri where grain warehouse  
owners unlawfully sold grain  
belonging to area farmers.

Another Senate-approved bill  
Tinnin presented to the com-  
mittee would require state and  
local governments to purchase  
only domestic beef.

The version of the measure  
which passed the Senate made  
domestic beef purchases by  
state and local governments "a  
matter of public policy."

But Tinnin introduced a sub-  
stitute for the bill before the  
House committee which set  
harsher penalties for a person  
buying or selling to a state or  
local government any foreign  
beef.

Proponents of the measure  
told the committee the bill  
would put the Missouri cattle  
farmer on more equal footing  
with foreign beef producers  
who are subjected to less regu-  
lation. Thirteen other states  
have similar legislation. No op-  
ponents spoke on the bill.

The traditional fleur-de-lis of  
Scouting-USA was selected as  
BSA's communicative name  
because women are now serving  
as volunteers and professionals  
and have full membership in the  
exploring program. Also, there  
has been a need to identifying  
Scouting with the United States  
of America because the organi-  
zation does not serve  
youth in South America, Mexico,  
Central America, and Canada.

The legal corporate name,  
Boy Scouts of America, which  
was established by a Charter  
from Congress in 1916 (six years  
after Scouting was founded in  
this country) will still be used  
with the new Scouting-USA  
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(Based upon a 1947 California  
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**POLITICAL NOTICES**

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Troop 174 Brownies pictured are Sherry Burton, Jo Stokes, Missy Harris, Lisa Mason, Jody Beck, Judy Bollinger, Monica Burton, Missy Greenway, Angela Cook, Gina Woolf, Helen Neal, Diane Dial, Rachel Wilson, Kelly Penrose, Tammy Graviett, Tamara Walker, Renee Hill, Shauna Turnage, Julie Hobbs, Joie Tomlin, Patricia Holland, Kristi Taylor, Deanna Hudgens, Dana Lindsay, Jessie Sadler, Sherri Michelson, Lisa Moore, Angie Johnson, Lisa Stanley, Valerie Stokes and Kelly Coffee. Brownies from Troop 169 are Donna and Janis Dirnberger, Lisa Eftink, Connie Paterson, Tammy Wubker, Laurie Shy and Lisa and Lorena LeGrand.

## Father-daughter banquet

ORAN— Brownie Troop 174,  
with the help of Troop 169,  
hosted a father-daughter  
banquet at the Oran School  
cafeteria March 8. Troop  
members attended with their  
fathers, brothers or grand-  
fathers.

Other guests were Ada Jean  
Wagoner and Fannie Davis,  
president of the Morley VFW  
Ladies Auxiliary 5368, which  
sponsored Troop 174.

Following a covered dish  
meal, the program was  
presented under the direction of  
Rebecca LeGrand, who was  
caller for the flag ceremony.

Two songs were sung and the  
brownie pledge closed the  
presentation. Each brownie  
introduced herself and her  
guest.

Troop leaders of Troop 169 are  
Rebecca LeGrand and Linda  
Patterson. Carolyn Stokes,  
Dorothy Burton, Legretta  
Harris and Clessie Mason are  
leaders for Troop 174.

Trains in each division will  
compete for prizes and awards,  
including scholarships to  
Southeast Missouri State, made  
possible by businesses, in-  
dustries and professional groups  
throughout Southeast  
Missouri.

Top prizes are two all-expense  
paid trips to the 28th Inter-  
national Science and  
Engineering Fair May 8-14 in

**SeMo Scouts say  
name's not changed**

CAPE GIRARDEAU — "We  
haven't changed our name,  
we're still the Boy Scouts of  
America," says the Southeast  
Missouri Council in response to  
inquiries based national news  
stories.

Dr. Alex Hoja, of Poplar Bluff,  
council president, said the legal  
corporate name of the Boy  
Scouts of America had not  
changed and that the misun-  
derstanding arose over the BSA's  
adoption of a new commu-  
nicative symbol using the  
words Scouting-USA, which  
was mistakenly reported as the  
new name of the 67-year-old  
organization.

The official name of the local  
council will continue to be  
Southeast Missouri Council, Boy  
Scouts of America. The council  
will gradually incorporate the  
new symbol on its printed  
material, signs, and other  
places where a strong, recogniz-  
able identification is required.

BSA's new, bright red and  
white symbol includes a con-  
temporary version of the  
traditional BSA fleur-de-lis, plus  
the new communicative name,  
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District Court of Appeals  
Decision)

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## SeMo science fair opens today in Cape

CAPE GIRARDEAU— Junior  
and senior high school science  
students in Southeast Missouri  
will show off their work here this  
week at the 21st annual  
Southeast Missouri Regional  
Science Fair that opened today  
at Southeast Missouri State  
University.

The more than 200 projects  
entered in the fair were set up  
today in the University Center  
on the campus, to be judged this  
afternoon and opened for public  
inspection from 6 to 9 p.m.  
tonight.

Hours for other days of the  
fair, which continues through  
Friday, will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
There is no admission charge.

All of the projects are ex-  
clusively the work of students,  
who may receive advice only  
from teachers and parents.  
Many of the students earned the  
right to compete at the regional  
level by winning their school or  
school system science fairs.

The fair is divided into junior  
and senior high divisions and  
each division has 11 categories.  
They are botany, medicine and  
health, microbiology, zoology,  
behavioral and social science,  
chemistry, biochemistry, earth  
and space science, physics,  
engineering, and mathematics  
and computers.

Entrants in each division will  
compete for prizes and awards,  
including scholarships to  
Southeast Missouri State, made  
possible by businesses, in-  
dustries and professional groups  
throughout Southeast  
Missouri.

Top prizes are two all-expense  
paid trips to the 28th Inter-  
national Science and  
Engineering Fair May 8-14 in

**SeMo Scouts say  
name's not changed**

CAPE GIRARDEAU — "We  
haven't changed our name,  
we're still the Boy Scouts of  
America," says the Southeast  
Missouri Council in response to  
inquiries based national news  
stories.

Dr. Alex Hoja, of Poplar Bluff,  
council president, said the legal  
corporate name of the Boy  
Scouts of America had not  
changed and that the misun-  
derstanding arose over the BSA's  
adoption of a new commu-  
nicative symbol using the  
words Scouting-USA, which  
was mistakenly reported as the  
new name of the 67-year-old  
organization.

The official name of the local  
council will continue to be  
Southeast Missouri Council, Boy  
Scouts of America. The council  
will gradually incorporate the  
new symbol on its printed  
material, signs, and other  
places where a strong, recogniz-  
able identification is required.

BSA's new, bright red and  
white symbol includes a con-  
temporary version of the  
traditional BSA fleur-de-lis, plus  
the new communicative name,  
Scouting-USA. Together, these  
elements more appropriately  
reflect the current broadened  
scope of the Boy Scouts of  
America.

Jerry Beck



## Public Notice

**March 15, 1977**  
Sealed proposals for furnishing Misc. Household Supplies will be received until 10:30 a.m. C.D.T., March 31, 1977 in the Purchasing Office Room 220, Academic Hall, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Mo. 63701. Bid forms may be picked up at the Purchasing Office or will be mailed upon request.  
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## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED

**Sec. 473.033, R.S.Mo. as amended 1969.**  
County of Missouri, ss. )  
In the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri )  
In the estate of )  
Rena Ella Harris a-k-a )  
Rena Safford Harris )  
Deceased. )

Estate No. 4757  
To all persons interested in the estate of Rena Ella Harris a-k-a Rena Safford Harris, decedent: On the 3rd day of March, 1977, L.G. Woodward was appointed the administrator of the estate of Rena Ella Harris a-k-a Rena Safford Harris decedent, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri. The business address of the administrator is 308 Greer, Sikeston, Missouri, whose telephone number is 471-5624 and his attorney is John D. Hux of Hux and Green, whose business address is 204 West North Street, Sikeston, Missouri, and whose telephone number is 471-1737.

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of this notice or be forever barred. All persons interested are notified that such court, at the times and as provided by law, will determine the persons who are the successors in interest to the personal and real property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interests therein.  
Date of first publication is March 28th, 1977.  
Almaretta Huber  
Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri

6, 12, 18, 24

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**  
Notice is hereby given that on April 7, 1977 at 9:30 A.M. a public sale will be held at Semo Motor Co., Sikeston, Mo. to sell for cash the following collateral, to wit: 1973 GMC 1/2 ton Sierra 2-N TCY145502840, said collateral being held to secure an obligation arising under a retail installment security agreement (conditional sale contract) held by General Motors Acceptance Corporation as secured party. Said public sale is to be conducted according to the laws of the State of Missouri. General Motors Acceptance Corporation reserves the right to bid at this sale.  
The collateral is presently stored and may be seen at Semo Motor Co., Sikeston, Mo.  
GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION  
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**NOTICE**  
To members of the Missouri Delta Community Hospital Association: you are hereby notified that pursuant to provision of the bylaws the annual meeting of the members of the Hospital Association will be held at the hospital in Sikeston, Mo., on Tuesday, April 12, 1977 at 12:00 O'clock noon for the purpose of electing 8 directors to fill the vacancies caused by the expiration of the terms of office of 8 directors and to transact such other business as may lawfully come before the meeting. William Kendall Sikes, President; John D. Hux, Secretary.  
18, 24, 30

## 4. Notices

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING SECTION RATES**  
Minimum three day run. Cash discount of 50¢ if paid within four days after insertion date.

**ERRORS**  
We must be notified the first day of publication of errors, after that you will be charged. Ads will be taken from 9 to 12 on Saturday.

## 5. Personals

"Grapefruit Pill" with Diadax plan more convenient than grapefruits - Eat satisfying meals and lose weight. Osco Drug.

Water pills and laxatives may deplete your body's essential Potassium - ask for K-Forte Osco Drug.

Leclithin! Kelp! B6! Cider Vinegar! Now all four in one capsule, ask for VB6+ or VB6+ Doublestrength. Osco Drug.  
Lose weight and excess water with Fluidex Plus Plan, convenient 2 in 1 tablet. Osco Drug.  
Lose weight safely, fast, easy with the Diadax & Dex-a-Diet plans - Reduce fluids with Fluidex, Osco Drug.

## 6. Sleep. Rooms

Sleeping room with private entrance. 471-0079 471-4095. TF  
Sleeping rooms available. \$100.00 month. N' Orleans Apartments. 471-4264. TF

## 7. Furn. Apts.

Extra nice. 2 bedroom apartment. Fully furnished. Central heat and air. Call 471-5636. TF

3 rooms, working person. Deposit. Call 471-1804 after 4 p.m. TF

Apt. 1 person. Deposit required. 471-1804. TF

Furnished apartment. Utilities paid. Phone 471-5124. TF

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Furnished and Unfurnished apartments. 472-0854 471-5470. TF

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## 8. Unfurn. Apt.

Now Leasing  
"The Jackson's Alaskan Villa" 913 Davis Blvd.  
1200 sq. ft. 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, disposal, laundry room, patio and balcony off master bedroom. \$250 per month. Phone 471-3571. TF

Beautiful 1 bedroom apartment. Refrigerator and stove, drapes, fully carpeted. Gas and water furnished. Good location. 471-9275. \$135 per month. 3-27-77

2 bedroom townhouse. 414 Lake. \$175 month. Call 471-0324. TF

2 bedroom unfurnished duplex. Central heat and air. \$175 month. Deposit required. 471-2772. TF

2 bedroom newly constructed duplex apartment. \$230 monthly. 706 Hunter. Call 471-4318 or 471-6310. 3-25-77

3 bedroom duplex. \$210 per month. 471-6188 after 5 p.m. TF

Nice 3 bedroom duplex. Carpeted. \$225 monthly. 472-0755. TF

## 9. Rental Houses

6 room unfurnished house. \$200. 928 Linn St. Call 471-4318. 3-25

2 bedroom 4 room home in country. 4 miles from Miner. Plenty of garden space. Call 471-6144 or 471-2836. 3-24-77

Unfurnished 2 bedroom house. Call 471-5799 after 6 p.m. 3-27-77

2 new 3 bedroom houses. Central heat and air. \$200 a month. Deposit required. Call 471-2772. TF

3 bedroom house for lease. Central air and heat. Partial finished basement. Fully carpeted. Utilities paid. 471-4003. TF

## 11A. Mobile Home Rentals

2 bedroom mobile home, and furnished apartment. 472-0282. TF

2 bedroom. Need references. 667-5505. 3-24-77

2 bedroom trailer in Bertrand. Central heat and air. \$90 a month. 663-6809. 471-9403. 3-24-77

## 11. Misc. For Rent

2 choice garden plots, for experienced gardener, Buchanan Courts. 471-3403. TF

For Clean Carpets Rent Steamers. Quick Check Market E. Malone Open 24 Hours. 3-23-77

## 12A. Musical Instruments

PIANOS AND ORGANS Baldwin, and Wurlitzer. Finest quality at reasonable prices and terms. Rental plan available. Keith Collins Piano Company, 98 North Kingshighway Phone 471-4531.

## 12. Misc. For Sale

Beauty shop equipment. 649-3138. 3-27

1975 Pro Craft Boat, 1975 J.T. Trailer, 1974 115 HP Evenrude. Equipped with 12-24 motor guide, Lowrance locator, tachometer, and power trim. \$3500.00 Ponder Chevrolet-Buick Co. Charleston, Mo. 314-683-3341.

Complete Sheet Metal Shop and Equipment. Can be seen at Skinkers and Co. 2010 Betty St. Sikeston, Mo. 472-0566 after 6 p.m. 471-9175. 3-27

28 ft. Pontoon boat. Needs painting and new carpet. Will paint and carpet color of your choice. \$1295. Will sell as is \$895. Also, Beaver Tri-Hull Bass Boat, 16 ft. 55 h.p. rated. \$325. Call 471-7929. TF

Stereo 3 years old. 8 track tape, turntable, AM-FM radio. 4 speakers and stereo stand. \$150.00 Call after 5 471-1878. TF

Dining room suite. Includes hutch, table, 6 chairs, 2 leaves, \$575.00 Robert Scherer Phone 733-4340. 3-29-77

25" color tv. 471-9275. 3-29-77

Garage Sale  
410 Marion St.  
Thurs.  
3-18-77

For Sale 45 Lb. Fiber glass bow & 3 arrows Bear Archer brand. Call after 5 471-4741. 3-18-77

Copperstone gas table top stove, vent hood, eye level oven with cabinet. 471-1391 after 6. 3-18-77

1973 Bass boat. 17 foot long. 65 hp. Johnson motor. Fuel operated trolling motor. 471-8574. 3-22-77

## GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

## For Sale

## Old Duke Boxes

## And

## Pinball machines

## 683-6842

2 G.E. High Band mobile units and one base station with 20 ft. antenna. Frequency 151.835. Phone 748-5141 after 7 p.m. TF

Arvin cabinet stereo AM-FM radio. 748-2367 after 5 p.m. TF

Ellison's Lake  
35 acres of water. Membership fishing for 1977. Channel catfish, Hybrid Bluegill, Crappie, bass. For information call 471-8524 after 5. 3-23

New and used furniture. Factory outlet. 471-7391. TF

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Panasonic Sport 10 speed Deluxe bicycle. Like new. \$75.00 471-3169. 2-24-77

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Tell City Furniture. America's finest in early American solid maple. Economy Furniture, 209 W. Commercial Charleston, 663-6733. TF

## 13. Real Estate

**Publisher's Notice:**  
All real estate advertised in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination."  
This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

3 bedroom home. New central heat and air. Living room kitchen, family room All large rooms. Convenient to town of Lilbourn. If wanted, furnished. 688-2682 or 688-2525. 3-27

Choice building lots. Black top road. Sikeston School District. 471-3614 after 6. 3-22

New all electric. 3 bedroom, 3 baths, kitchen, utility room, living room, family room, and dining room. 1900 sq. ft. Carpeted. In Bird's Addition. Kewanee. \$34,000 748-2293. 3-29-77

Good 5 room house for sale in Dexter. Good location. All conveniences. 1000 sq. ft. garage 10x20 storage barn on large lot. 624-3151. 3-23

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We have several 3 acre tracts of land for sale. Located 2 miles N. of Dam, off Hwy D and Latonka Girl Scout Rd. between Peoples Creek and Possum Hollow. Joining the Corp of Engineers at the Lake boundary. Electric, telephone and state approved water system.  
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DON'T BUY until you see this neat 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, brick home on 1 acre lot in Mini Farms SD. Only \$26,900. Good terms. Dacus Real Estate. 471-2162. 3-27

**18. Help Wanted**  
PUT THE KIDS THROUGH COLLEGE THE EASY WAY  
You don't have to scrimp to send them to college. Become an Avon Representative and make the tuition money you need selling quality products. Call 472-0497.  
Grill cook wanted. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. No Sundays. Apply in person. Cream Castle. TF

Waitresses and cooks. New business opening. For interview 471-6623 between 1-3 p.m.. 3-22-77

Waitresses wanted. Apply in person. Dutch Pantry. Hwy. 62 E. Sikeston, Mo. 3-27-77

Bartender. Must be experienced. Apply in person. Holiday Inn. 3-27-77

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17.24. High school graduates desired, not required.  
Experience not necessary.  
Will train with pay.  
Rapid promotions.  
Good benefits.  
CALL TODAY  
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Will babysit in my home. 472-0664. 3-22-77

Will do babysitting in my home by the hour or by the week. Day or night. 471-4217. 3-17-77

I would like to keep children in my home. Call 472-0602.

## 20. Lost &amp; Found

REWARD  
For the return or information concerning a male Golden Retriever. Last seen in Green Meadow Thurs. night. If you have seen this dog dead or alive, call 471-2977. 2-29

LOST  
2 Doberman dogs. One red. One black. Reward. 471-7209. 4-5.

Spare parts for Honda 175. Motor, wheels, tire, etc. \$25.00 Call 471-7929. TF

1971 Suzuki 500. Has windshield and luggage rack. May be seen at the Econo Gas station in Miner. Call 471-6602. 3-17-77

74 350 Yamaha. Cash or trade. 471-1414 after 5 p.m. 3-22-77

**22. Motorcycles**  
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**24. Services**  
Will do roofing, patch work, hedge trimming, yard work, trash hauling. Call 683-4011 or 471-3493. 4-16-77

**25. Livestock**  
Stallion Service. Now standing at stud. Nahanni. Registered Arabian. For information call 262-3823. 3-22-77

Registered 2 year old 3/4 Arabian colt. Shown at Halter last year. Place consistently. 262-3823. 3-22-77

**26. Pets**  
Free puppies. Mixed breed. Black and white bodies. Black and brown faces. 471-7672. 3-22

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Registered toy Pekingese. Peke-a-poo and poodle puppies. Ralph Henson, Ilmo. Mo. 264-4678. 3-22

**27. Feed & Seed**  
2000 bales wire tied alfalfa and orchard grass. No rain. 2000 bales wire tied grass hay. Delivery possible. Robert Dean RR No. 4 Perryville, 547-8200. 3-22-77

1971 Super Beetle. Runs good. Clean. Good paint. Priced to sell \$895. Call 471-9174 after 5. 3-27

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## Deaths

### Floyd L. Skinner

ILLMO — Floyd Lee Skinner, 70, died at 6:20 p.m. Sunday in Cape LaCroix Manor, where he had lived several years.

He was born July 28, 1906 at Boston, Tenn., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Andrew Skinner.

On June 28, 1933, he married Mildred Miller of Vienna, Ill., who survives.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Metropolis, Ill.

Other survivors include: one son, Army Spec. 6 Marvin Ray Skinner's stationed at Fort Hood near Killeen, Tex.; one daughter, Mrs. Danny Joe (Carol Lee) Avery of Vienna; one stepson, Riley B. Miller of Brownwood, Tex.; one foster daughter, Mrs. Bernice Banby of Flint, Mich.; one brother, Joe D. Skinner of Illmo; and four grandchildren.

Services were conducted at 2 p.m. today in Amick-Burnett Funeral Chapel by David Olson, pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist Church at Cape Girardeau.

Burial followed in the Skinner family cemetery at Commerce. Pallbearers were Gene, Jerry and Jackie Skinner, Bob and Steve Hamill and Danny Avery.

### Leona Busby

EAST PRAIRIE — Services for Mrs. Leona Busby, 58, who died Sunday, are scheduled at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Shelby Funeral Home. The Rev. Gene Petty, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, will officiate.

She was born Aug. 10, 1918 in New Madrid County, daughter of the late Andy and Hattie Dacus Wilson, and had lived in Mississippi County most of her life.

One daughter preceded her in death.

Surviving are: three daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Rich and Mrs. Linda Fay Caldwell of East Prairie and Mrs. Mildred Cross of Seabreeze, Fla.; three sons, Oscar and Ronnie Busby and Charles Mills of the home; and one brother, Delmar Wilson of Flint, Mich.

### Lucille Downs

CHARLESTON — Services for Mrs. Lucille Downs, 85, who died Monday, will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday in McKie Funeral Home with the Rev. R. Vergil Eaton, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will follow in IOOF Cemetery.

Born April 19, 1891 at New Columbia, Ill., daughter of the late Eli and Rosanna Spence Clark, she had lived in Charleston 53 years.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church and a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

In 1910, she married S.J. Estes, who died in 1934. Her second husband, Jesse E. Downs, whom she married in 1936, died Nov. 2, 1964. Two sisters also preceded her in death.

### Cattlemen's meeting to be rescheduled

A cattlemen's association meeting, which was originally scheduled for Friday at Beck and McCord Livestock Barn, will be rescheduled. A new meeting date will be announced in April.

Purpose of the meeting is to explain the beef research information act.

### Marble Hill man injured in accident

GRASSY — A Marble Hill man received minor injuries in a one-vehicle accident Monday, the highway patrol reported today.

William Fox, 82, of Marble Hill, a passenger in an east-bound car, was taken to a private doctor at Lutesville following the accident, which occurred at 10:20 a.m. Monday two miles east of town on Highway 34. He was treated and released.

The patrol reported the accident happened when an eastbound car driven by Ernest Eddie Whitener, 79, of Marble Hill ran off the south side of the highway and struck a utility pole.

### Class members still to be located

Three members of the Sikeston High School Class of 1937 have not been located for the group's 40-year-reunion to be held this summer.

Anyone having information about the whereabouts of Ivaelyn Lynn, Elsie Palmer and Alvis Howze should contact Charles Tisdal at 471-2424 or Margaret Lee, 471-2857.

death.

Surviving are: two stepsons, Willis Downs of Charleston and Edward Downs of Cape Girardeau; two stepdaughters, Mrs. R.W. (Pauline) Beasley and Mrs. Willie Wade of Charleston; and seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

### Hallie B. Cooley

Mrs. Hallie B. Cooley, 74, of 306 William St., a retired shoe vanner for International Shoe Co., died about 6:30 a.m. today in Shuffitt's Nursing Home No. 3.

She was born Sept. 18, 1902 at Columbus, Ky., daughter of the late John D. and Hettie Frances McBride Little.

Surviving are: her widower, Fred Cooley; one son, Joe Cooley of Poplar Bluff; one daughter, Mrs. Goldie Edwards of Mayfield, Ky.; a foster son, James W. Little of Itaska, Ill.; and eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Crews- Welsh Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, which are incomplete.

### Band festival starts today at Lilbourn

LILBOURN — Five area high school bands will participate in the annual spring band festival today, sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Band Director's Association.

Bands include New Madrid, Lilbourn, Matthews, Parma and Portageville.

Hueby Moore, music department director of Jefferson Community College at Hillsboro, guest clinician, will work individually with each band during the day and give a critique of its performance.

A public concert will be presented at 7 p.m. in the Lilbourn High School gymnasium. Each band will be featured in the program.

### MU sells trees without bids

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The University of Missouri allowed a former student to cut down trees over a three-year period on its Weldon Spring property without taking bids on the trees, school officials testified Tuesday.

The former student said he paid the school for the trees and then sold them at a gross profit of about 100 per cent.

Officials said the school received \$40,000 for the trees, but conservation department spokesmen have said the school should have received much more than that.

Dale O. Bowling, vice president of business management for the university, testified that he was unaware of any logging operations until legislators began complaining about the practice.

The committee is investigating the timber sales while the university determines what to do with the 8,000-acre tract near St. Louis.

Some lawmakers have expressed dismay at the school's interest in selling the property.

### Army admits only testing vulnerability

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army, denying it ever staged a simulated biological attack on the Capitol, says it did test the White House ventilation system in 1962 to gauge its vulnerability to germ or chemical warfare.

But Army officials refused to disclose the test on Tuesday to provide additional details. They said White House officials wouldn't permit it.

The Army said the test at the White House was conducted in 1962. "at the request of the White House staff."

Last week the Army made public a censored report detailing 239 open air simulated biological warfare attacks in the United States between 1949 and 1960. The statement was followed by questions over whether such attacks had been made against the White House, the Capitol and a federal office building.

In its new statement, Army officials acknowledged a test of the vulnerability of the Food and Drug Administration's water system in 1969.

## New Madrid may submit bond issue in May

NEW MADRID — In regular session Monday night the City Council touched briefly on cable television, street repairs and upcoming bond issue and authorized a package liquor license.

Mayor Jim Cravens reported on the meeting Wednesday night with representatives of the communities served by the New Madrid facility of See-Mor Cable TV, which are Marston, Howardville and Lilbourn, concerning proposed rate increases.

The New Madrid City Council had agreed at its January 3 meeting to a \$1.50 per month increase if See-Mor would provide additional micro-wave

channels and would sign a contract guaranteeing services with the council, agreeing to an annual rate review with no loss of channel should a rate reduction be deemed necessary.

Since the other communities are served from the same cable the city had agreed to joint negotiation. Cravens stated that they are near agreement, with Marston and Lilbourn still having questions concerning service problems. The New Madrid contract has been signed by See-Mor, according to Cravens.

A report by the alderman concerning street repairs showed that many needed seal coating and minor repairs. The council agreed to meet with

City Administrator Don Lloyd and prepare a list to be repaired and to seek costs.

Mayor Cravens reported that the proposed bond issue for \$600,000 to improve the Municipal Light and Power System would probably be ready to be submitted to the voters in May after some accounting problems are worked out.

A package liquor license was also authorized to Verna Patterson for the drive-in premises at the intersection of old Kingshighway and Highway 61 on the west side of town.

Members of the Immaculate Conception school seventh and eighth grades and Sister Terry attended the meeting to view their local government at work.

## Death penalty advocates feel state will enact valid law

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Advocates of a constitutional death penalty for Missouri say the state Supreme Court's decision invalidating the state's 1975 death penalty will spur adoption of a valid one.

"With this decision, the great majority of the Senate will earnestly act as expeditiously as possible to get another law passed," said Rep. Bob Griffin, D-Cameron, whose proposal revising the 1975 death penalty law to meet constitutional standards has already cleared the House.

In a unanimous decision, the state Supreme Court on Tuesday declared the 1975 death penalty law unconstitutional, generally following the reasoning of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision on the death penalty last summer.

Citing portions of the federal decision, which struck down death penalty laws in two states, and upheld them in three others, the state Supreme Court said:

"That the statutes herein challenged fail to provide a constitutionally acceptable procedure in Missouri for imposition of the death penalty is readily apparent and we so hold."

Atty. Gen. John Ashcroft said there would be no appeal of the

decision.

The new attorney general expressed support for Griffin's revision bill, adding that its passage would end the "chilling effect" uncertainty over the present law has had on prosecutors, who "are not asking for the death penalty with the frequency you might expect."

Death penalty supporters, acknowledged they expected the state's high court decision issued Tuesday in light of the federal ruling issued earlier.

"This is what we've been talking about—analyzing the U.S. Supreme Court decision (striking down mandatory death penalty laws) and Missouri fit into that mold too closely to pass muster with the U.S. Supreme Court," Griffin said.

The federal decision held that the death penalty itself was constitutional but that judges and juries charged with applying it must be given the latitude within guidelines to consider alternative punishments. Under the 1975 Missouri law, once a person would have been convicted of capital murder, the jury or judge had no alternative but to order him executed in the gas chamber.

The federal decision modified the U.S. Supreme Court's 1972 decision which invalidated all existing death penalty laws be-

cause they were being applied arbitrarily.

The state Supreme Court, however, did uphold in a 6-1 decision, another provision of the death penalty law calling for persons convicted of capital murders to be sentenced to life prison terms with no chance of release for at least 50 years if the death penalty were invalidated.

Only Chief Justice Robert Seiler disagreed with that decision, contending "many would regard incarceration for a minimum of 50 years with no glimmer of hope for probation or parole as a fate worse than death."

The last execution in Missouri was in February 1965. No one has yet been convicted under the 1975 death penalty law.

The revision measure now pending before the legislature would require juries to consider lists of both mitigating and aggravating circumstances in deciding whether to impose the death penalty or a prison term and jurors would have to find at least one aggravating factor to hand down a death sentence.

The measure also calls for separate hearings to determine guilt and punishment in capital murder cases, and automatic state Supreme Court review of any death sentences.

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5. "Year of the Cat," Al Stewart
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## 55 m.p.h. speed limit faces hurdle today

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — The immediate fate of an extension of the 55 mile-per-hour speed limit in Missouri, which would keep the state eligible for federal highway funds, rests on the House Rules Committee.

Whether to give the measure, which extends the speed limit expiration date until 1979, special consideration will be discussed by the committee in its meeting and advocates are confident that consideration will be granted.

Without special consideration, the measure would likely die behind more than 150 other bills awaiting House action. And with the present reduced speed limit law set to expire this year, failure to extend the limit would subject the state to the threat of \$120 million in federal highway funds being withheld.

It was under a similar threat that the 55 m.p.h. law was originally enacted in 1974 during the midst of the energy crisis, and renewed for two years in 1975 over lawmakers' charges of federal interference in state affairs.

Under the measure pending before the Rules Committee, no penalty points would be assessed against persons convicted of violating the 55 m.p.h. speed limit if they were not exceeding the limits in effect before 1974. Those limits ranged from 50 m.p.h. to 70 m.p.h. The measure simply extends the present law.

But there is a move underway, headed by Rep. George Hoblitzelle, R-Ladue, to make the 55 m.p.h. limit permanent and assess penalty points for drivers found violating it. "Nobody really thinks anyone more that this energy thing is only temporary," Hoblitzelle said. He also questions the validity of the present law, saying it is "minor miracle" that the courts haven't declared it unconstitutional.

But he admits assessment of penalty points against all violators of the speed limit will stiffen opposition to his proposal in both houses.

Because motorists are not aware of what the old, higher limits were on highways in the state, Hoblitzelle says about half of those caught exceeding the 55 m.p.h. limit but still under the 70 m.p.h. limit still receive points against their licenses.

Three speeding violations within 18 months results in suspension of a driver's license in Missouri.

Highway Patrol officials have credited the 55 m.p.h. speed limit with saving lives the last three years, reducing traffic deaths by as much as 400 a year. But they also note that motorists are beginning to speed up, apparently as the fear of an energy shortage declines.

Advocates of assessing points against all speeders say it will be an incentive for motorists to abide by the 55 m.p.h. limit. But critics contend points are a penalty for unsafe driving and the reduced limit was not instituted because the other limits were unsafe but rather to

save fuel.

Opponents of the 55 m.p.h. limit have urged its repeal saying it is unenforceable, primarily because motorists have begun using citizen band radios and radar detectors to circumvent it.

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